



LABOUR FORCE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, FEBRUARY 1985

(Including Regional Estimates to February 1985)

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MAIN FEATURES

NOTE: Regional labour force estimates are included in this issue for the first time. Users are referred, in particular, to paragraph 31 regarding the reliability of the estimates.

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- Total employment increased by 23,000 (4.2 per cent) over the 12 months to February 1985 to 575,100, a record February level. However, a sizeable proportion of the increase was in part-time employment (up 10,100 or 9.5 per cent) to 116,500 while full-time employment rose 12,900 or 2.9 per cent to 458,600. Female employment grew by 13,700 (6.6 per cent) compared with a growth in male employment of 9,300 or 2.7 per cent.
- Total unemployment fell 4,600 or 7.1 per cent over the 12 months to February 1985, whilst unemployment amongst males fell 5,100 or 12.7 per cent. There was a fall of 3,600 or 16.3 per cent in unemployed migrants.

REGIONS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

- The Para and North Eastern Statistical Subdivisions recorded the highest growth of 11,700 or 10.7 per cent in total persons employed over the 12 month period to February 1985.
- In February 1985 the Western Statistical Subdivision had the highest unemployment rate (13.2 per cent) and the Outer Adelaide, Murray Lands and South East Statistical Divisions had the lowest unemployment rate (6.7 per cent).
- The number unemployed in the Yorke and Lower North, Northern and Eyre Statistical Divisions fell by approximately 25 per cent over the 12 month period to February 1985.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

This publication contains estimates of the civilian labour force derived from the labour force survey part of the monthly population survey.

2. This issue contains, for the first time, estimates of the labour force status of the civilian population for regions of South Australia. The regional estimates included in this issue have been compiled back to January

1984. Estimates back to October 1982 will also be compiled and made available upon request.

3. Preliminary survey results are published in advance of this more detailed publication in The Labour Force, Australia (Preliminary Estimates) (6202.0).

4. Although emphasis in the population survey is placed on the regular collection of data on demographic and labour force characteristics of the population, supplementary and special surveys of particular aspects of the labour force or of other subjects are carried out from time to time. Statistics from these surveys are published and are available on request. A list of publications on labour force and related topics is given in The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0).

THE POPULATION SURVEY

5. The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 5,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.), and covers about one per cent of the population of South Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. Because of operational problems arising from the Christmas and New Year holidays, interviews for the December 1984 survey commenced on Monday 3 December, and for the January 1985 survey on Monday 14 January, with the exception of South Australia, where approximately two-thirds of the interviews were conducted during the week commencing Monday 7 January. The remainder of the South Australian interviews were conducted during the week commencing Monday 21 January (see paragraph 28 for comparability of series). The information obtained relates to the week before the interview week (i.e. the survey week).

SCOPE

6. The labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 and over except:

- (a) members of the permanent defence forces;
- (b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations;
- (c) overseas visitors in Australia; and
- (d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

DEFINITIONS

7. The labour force category to which a person is assigned depends on his actual activity (i.e. whether working, looking for work, etc.) during the survey week. The following definitions, which conform closely to the international standard definitions specified by the International Labour Organisation (ILO), relate only to those persons within the scope of the survey.

8. Employed persons comprise all those aged 15 and over who, during the survey week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
- (d) were employers or self-employed persons who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

9. Unemployed persons are those aged 15 and over who were not employed during the survey week, and

- (a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the survey week and:
 - (i) were available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the survey week); or
 - (ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then;

or (b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole of the survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

10. Actively looking for work includes writing, telephoning or applying in person to an employer for work; answering a newspaper advertisement for a job; checking factory or Commonwealth Employment Service noticeboards; being registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service; checking or registering with any other employment agency, advertising or tendering for work; and contacting friends or relatives.

11. The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

12. Duration of unemployment is the period from the time the person began looking for work or was laid off to the end of the survey week. Thus the survey measures current (and continuing) periods of unemployment rather than completed spells. For persons who may have begun looking for work while still employed, the duration of unemployment is defined as the period from the time the person last worked full-time for two weeks or more to the end of the survey week. Periods of unemployment are recorded in complete weeks and this results in a slight understatement of duration. Average (mean) duration is the duration obtained by dividing the aggregate number of weeks a group has been unemployed by the number of persons in that group.

13. The labour force comprises all persons who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed, as defined in paragraphs 8 and 9.

14. The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. Because it is not practicable to ascertain the birthplace of persons in institutions (who are classified as not in the labour force), labour force participation rates for persons classified by birthplace are calculated by using population estimates which exclude those in institutions.

15. Full-time workers are those who usually work 35 hours or more a week and others who, although usually part-time workers, worked 35 hours or more during the survey week. Part-time workers are those who usually work less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the survey week.

16. Hours of work. The figures of aggregate hours and of average hours refer to actual hours worked during the survey week, not hours paid for. The figures may be affected by public holidays, leave, absenteeism; temporary absence from work due to sickness, injury, accident and industrial disputes; and stoppages of work due to bad weather, plant breakdown, etc. When hours of work are recorded, fractions of an hour are disregarded and this results in slightly lower figures than would be the case if actual time worked was recorded.

17. Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the survey week, were not in the categories employed or unemployed, as defined in paragraphs 8 and 9. They include persons who were keeping house (unpaid), attending an educational institution (school, university, etc.), retired, voluntarily inactive, permanently unable to work, inmates of institutions (hospitals, gaols, sanatoria, etc.), trainee teachers, members of contemplative religious orders, and persons whose only activity during the survey week was jury service or unpaid voluntary work for a charitable organisation.

18. In the labour force survey, persons are classified as married or not married. Marital status is determined from information supplied by the respondent and, where the person was reported as being married, about the living arrangements of persons usually resident in the household. Marital status does not therefore necessarily reflect legal status. Persons are classified as married if they are reported as being married (including de facto) and their spouse was a usual resident of the household at the time of the survey. The not-married category includes persons who have never married, or are separated, widowed or divorced, as well as those who, although reported as being married, did not have a spouse who usually lived in the household. Persons who live in a de facto relationship but do not volunteer this information when asked whether they are married are classified as not married. For discontinuities in estimates of marital status, see paragraphs 26 and 27.

19. Industry is classified according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC) 1978 (1201.0 and 1202.0) and occupation according to the Classification and Classified List of Occupations, Revised June 1981.

REGIONS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

20. The regions used in this publication are standard ABS Statistical Divisions and Sub-divisions (see map) or combinations of these, and, as such, do not necessarily correspond with regions adopted by other government authorities. These regions have been formulated following detailed discussions with users, taking into

consideration State geography, the need for consistency with other statistical collections, sample size and the requirement to produce a reasonable range of reliable data on both employment and unemployment for each region. While further unpublished details may be available for the regions adopted in this publication, estimates for different regions will not be provided.

POPULATION BENCHMARKS

21. Labour force survey estimates of persons employed, unemployed and not in the labour force shown in this publication for South Australia, Adelaide Statistical Division and Balance of South Australia are calculated in such a way as to add up to the independently estimated distribution of the population aged 15 and over by age and sex. This procedure compensates for underenumeration in the survey, and leads to more reliable estimates. The independent population statistics (benchmarks) are the latest available estimates at the time the labour force survey is conducted, but they usually differ from the official population estimates subsequently published in Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly (3101.0) because they are necessarily derived from incomplete information about population changes.

22. Regular estimates of the population at the regional level are not available, and so State benchmarks have been used to produce regional estimates. For this reason, estimates of the civilian population aged 15 years and over are not made available at the regional level.

REVISION OF SERIES

23. Survey estimates are revised after each census of population and housing, and when population estimation bases are reviewed. Survey estimates back to February 1978 have been recalculated to conform to revised population estimates which take account of results of the 1981 Census. An assessment of the effect of the revisions on labour force estimates is contained in an appendix to The Labour Force, Australia, February 1984 (6203.0).

24. Following the change in official population estimates to a place of usual residence basis after the 1981 Census, the population benchmarks used in this revision of labour force survey estimates are compiled according to place of usual residence. For an explanation of the new conceptual basis of population estimates see Population Estimates: An Outline of the New Conceptual Basis of ABS Population Estimates (3216.0). To co-ordinate with the new benchmarks, the labour force survey questionnaire was changed in October 1982 to enable identification of each respondent's place of usual residence. Revised estimates for October 1982 onwards are thus wholly according to place of usual residence. For

periods before October 1982, the estimates are based on a combination of place of enumeration and place of usual residence.

COMPARABILITY OF SERIES

25. As noted in paragraphs 23 and 24, estimates back to February 1978 have been revised to conform to revised population estimates. The revised estimates are not strictly comparable with estimates for periods before February 1978.

26. Paragraph 18 outlines the definition of marital status now used in the labour force survey. In conjunction with the revision of estimates back to February 1978 to conform to revised population estimates, a revision to take account of the new definition of marital status was also applied. Consequently, estimates of marital status contained in this publication are not comparable with estimates previously published which classified as married, all respondents who reported that they were married or separated. The revision to the marital status classification was undertaken in two parts. Firstly, for all surveys from February 1978, persons who reported that they were separated, were reclassified as not married. Secondly, from June 1983 onwards, in addition to including persons reported as separated, the not-married category includes persons who although reported as married, did not, at the time of the survey, have a spouse who was a usual resident of the household.

27. Before October 1982, respondents who stated they were living in a de facto arrangement were asked how they would describe their marital status on a Population Census schedule and the answer was recorded. From October 1982 these respondents were coded as married. This may have resulted in some discontinuity between September and October 1982 in series classified according to marital status.

28. As noted in paragraph 5, about two-thirds of South Australian interviews for the January 1985 survey were undertaken one week earlier than for the other States and Territories. Thus, the reference week for those respondents was the week beginning Sunday 30 December. Care should be taken in comparing South Australian estimates for January 1985 with earlier estimates. Because of the incidence of public holidays in the first week of January, estimates of hours of work in that week are likely to be lower than those for the following week. It is also possible that South Australian estimates of employment and unemployment for January 1985 are affected by the timing of the reference week and may not be strictly comparable with other States' data or with previous survey data.

SURVEY SAMPLE

29. For detailed information on sample design and selection see the Technical Note in The Labour Force, Australia, 1978 (6204.0).

30. The population survey sample is reselected every five years to allow data from the latest census of population and housing to be used to improve the efficiency of the population survey sample design. The latest reselection, which used data from the 1981 Census, was introduced for the October 1982 survey.

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

31. Estimates in this publication are subject to two sources of error:

(a) sampling error: since the estimates are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they, and the movements derived from them, may differ from the figures that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. As noted in paragraph 22 above, the use of benchmarks in the compilation of regional estimates has not been possible. For this reason users should note that regional estimates may be more volatile than corresponding State estimates and therefore they should not be regarded as reliable indicators of short term (monthly) movements. More information on this topic is given in the Technical Notes at the end of this publication.

(b) non-sampling error: inaccuracies may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents and interviewers and errors made in the coding and processing of data. These inaccuracies may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN POPULATION CENSUS AND POPULATION SURVEY ESTIMATES

32. The results of the 1981 Census of Population and Housing show that labour force figures derived from the census differ from estimates derived from the labour force surveys.

33. The broad concepts underlying the measures of the labour force and its components, employment and unemployment, are similar in the census and the survey. However there are considerable differences in both the collection methodology adopted (including the detailed questions asked) and estimation procedures. Factors contributing to differences in estimates include: under-enumeration in the population census for which census labour force estimates have not been adjusted; the use in the labour force survey of population benchmarks derived from incomplete information about population change (see paragraph 21); the inclusion of permanent defence forces in census estimates; the personal interview approach adopted in the survey as opposed to self-enumeration of census schedules; differing questions used to determine labour force characteristics (particularly the identification of unemployed persons); and differing methods of adjustment for non-response to the survey or census.

34. The labour force survey provides detailed and up-to-date estimates of employment and unemployment for Australia, States and the larger regions, whereas the census of population and housing provides less detailed counts for small areas.

35. These considerations should be borne in mind if comparisons are made between population census and labour force survey estimates.

UNPUBLISHED STATISTICS

36. Other unpublished data from the labour force surveys, including some broad cross-classifications of regional data (by age and marital status, and by industry and occupation for employed persons) may be available upon request. As noted in paragraph 2, regional estimates for periods back to October 1982 will be made available on request.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

37. Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

The Labour Force, Australia (Preliminary Estimates) (6202.0) - issued monthly
The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) - issued monthly
The Labour Force, Australia, 1981 (6204.0)
Job Vacancies, Australia (6231.0) - issued quarterly
Information Paper: Questionnaires used in the Labour Force Survey (6232.0) - issued August 1984
Employment, Underemployment and Unemployment, 1966-1983, Australia (6246.0)
Employed Wage and Salary Earners, Australia (6248.0) - issued quarterly
Information Paper: Release of Regional Labour Force Statistics (6262.0) - issued April 1985
Overtime, Australia (6330.0) - issued quarterly

38. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a Publications Advice (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

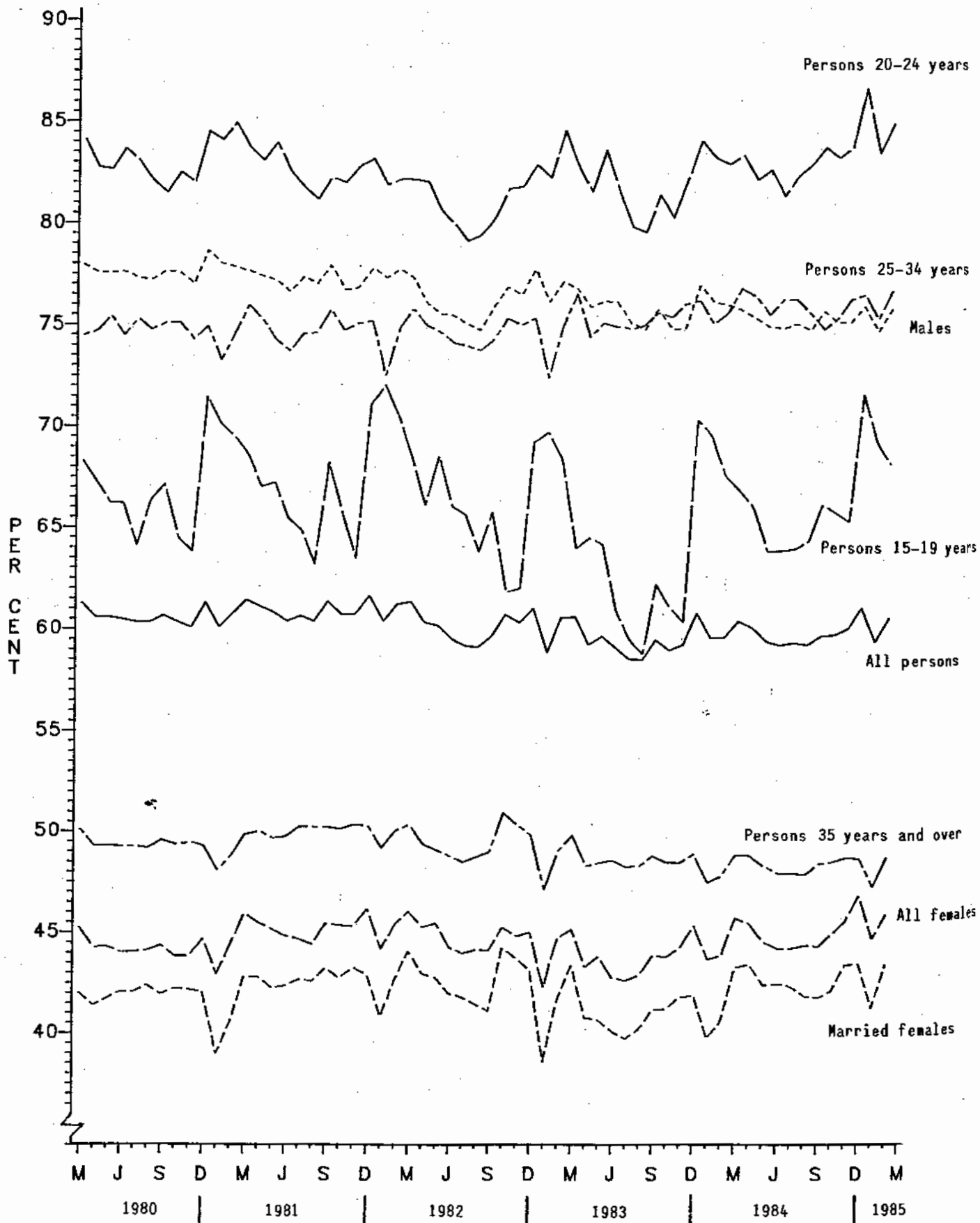
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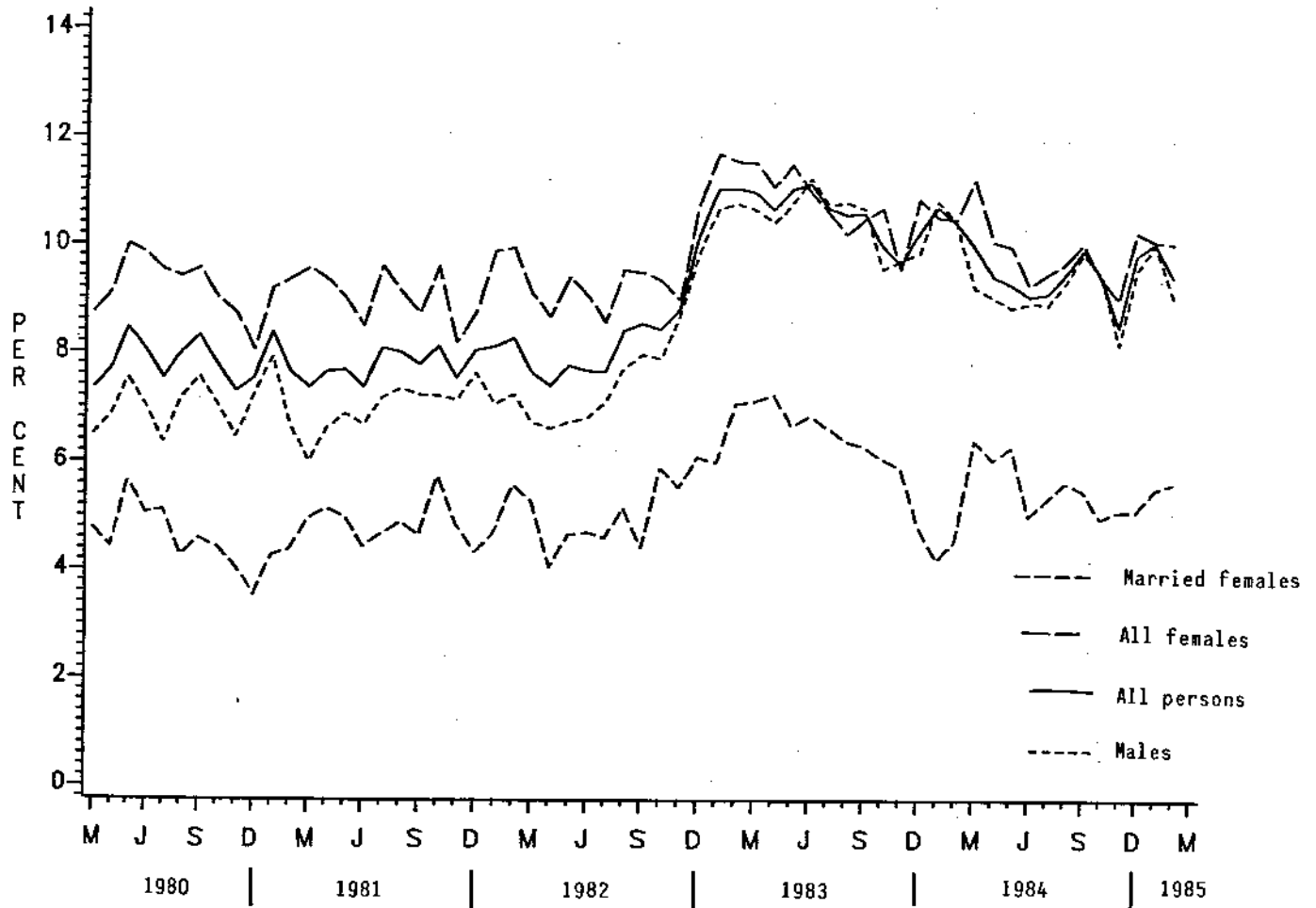
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LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES BY SEX AND AGE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY SEX



UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY AGE

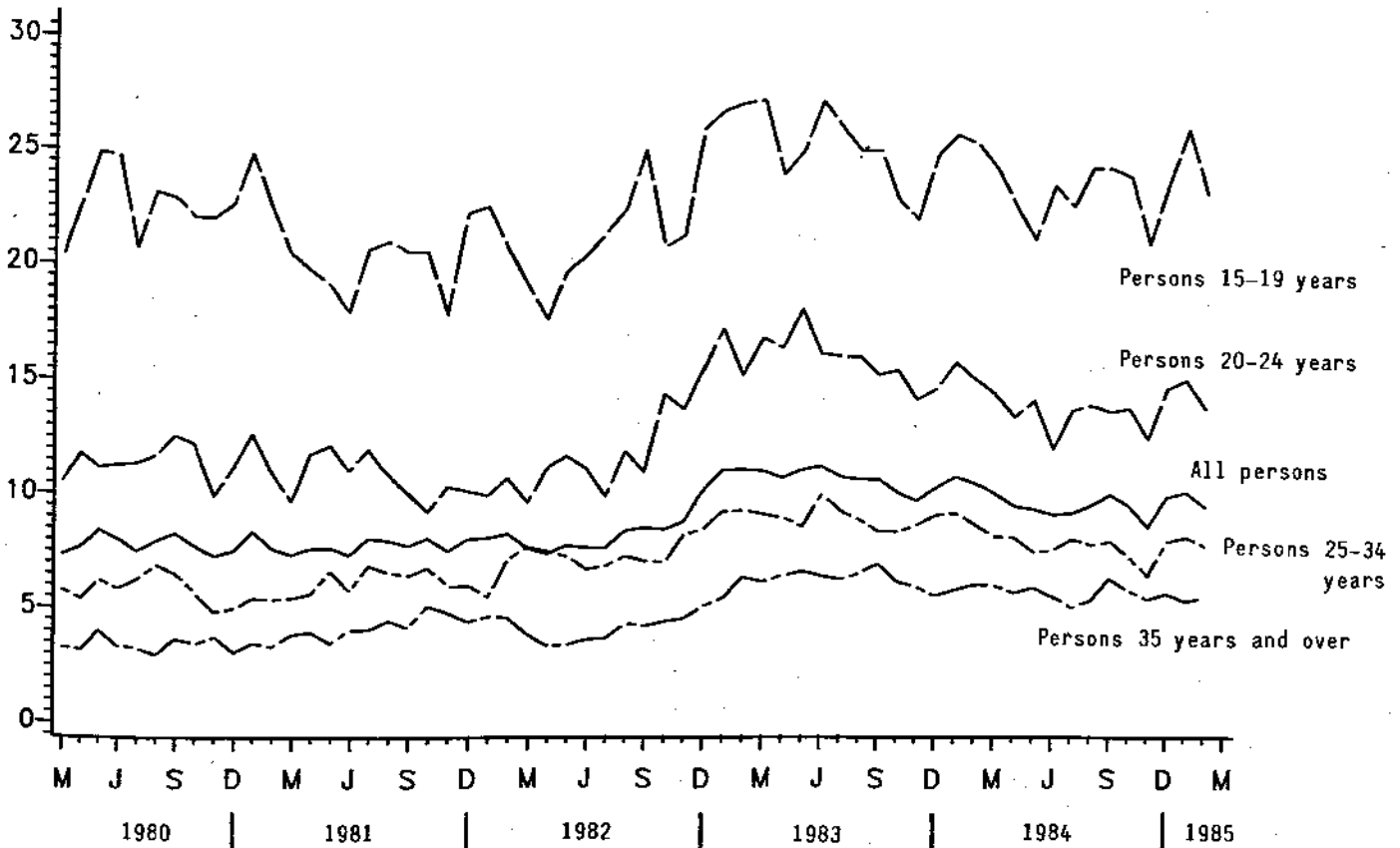


TABLE 1 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

South Australia

Month	Employed		Unemployed			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population 15 years & over	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for		Total					
			Full-time work	Part-time work						
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000		
MALES										
Feb. 1978	339.5	357.2	21.3	*	22.8	380.0	93.1	473.1	6.0	80.3
Feb. 1979	336.5	354.5	26.6	*	27.8	382.4	95.0	477.4	7.3	80.1
Feb. 1980	337.3	353.4	24.5	*	26.0	379.4	103.1	482.5	6.9	78.6
Feb. 1981	336.5	354.8	23.6	*	25.2	380.0	108.7	488.7	6.6	77.8
Feb. 1982	338.6	356.4	26.4	*	27.8	384.2	111.0	495.3	7.3	77.6
Feb. 1983	321.5	344.0	38.6	3.0	41.7	385.7	115.6	501.3	10.8	76.9
1984 -										
Jan.	320.4	343.0	40.0	1.9	41.9	384.8	122.2	507.0	10.9	75.9
Feb.	323.7	344.3	37.3	3.0	40.3	384.6	123.0	507.5	10.5	75.8
Mar.	327.3	348.2	33.1	2.4	35.5	383.7	124.3	508.0	9.3	75.5
Apr.	326.1	347.3	32.9	1.8	34.6	382.0	126.6	508.6	9.1	75.1
May	323.9	346.4	32.6	*	33.8	380.2	128.9	509.1	8.9	74.7
June	325.3	346.0	31.5	2.7	34.2	380.2	129.5	509.7	9.0	74.6
July	325.5	347.8	32.5	*	34.2	382.0	128.4	510.4	8.9	74.8
Aug.	324.9	345.1	33.7	2.0	35.6	380.7	130.3	511.0	9.4	74.5
Sept.	327.7	347.7	36.0	2.2	38.3	386.0	125.7	511.7	9.9	75.4
Oct.	326.0	347.2	34.5	2.0	36.5	383.7	128.6	512.3	9.5	74.9
Nov.	330.3	352.7	29.4	2.2	31.5	384.2	128.8	513.0	8.2	74.9
Dec.	328.2	351.3	35.6	*	37.3	388.6	125.1	513.7	9.6	75.6
1985 -										
Jan.	323.4	344.0	35.8	2.9	38.6	382.7	131.6	514.3	10.1	74.4
Feb.	330.8	353.6	33.0	2.2	35.2	388.8	126.1	514.9	9.1	75.5
MARRIED FEMALES (c)										
Feb. 1978	67.2	123.1	4.3	4.3	8.6	131.7	175.5	307.2	6.5	42.9
Feb. 1979	62.2	123.8	3.8	3.1	6.9	130.7	177.7	308.4	5.3	42.4
Feb. 1980	58.4	118.4	3.6	3.2	6.8	125.2	178.5	303.6	5.4	41.2
Feb. 1981	61.8	118.9	2.8	2.7	5.4	124.3	182.5	306.8	4.4	40.5
Feb. 1982	61.3	125.5	4.1	3.4	7.4	133.0	179.0	311.9	5.6	42.6
Feb. 1983	57.9	124.8	5.6	4.0	9.5	134.3	188.7	323.0	7.1	41.6
1984 -										
Jan.	64.7	124.2	3.4	2.1	5.5	129.7	197.1	326.7	4.2	39.7
Feb.	61.9	126.1	3.5	2.6	6.1	132.2	194.0	326.2	4.6	40.5
Mar.	63.4	131.8	4.6	4.5	9.1	140.9	185.3	326.2	6.4	43.2
Apr.	63.8	133.7	4.8	3.8	8.7	142.3	186.0	328.3	6.1	43.3
May	61.6	130.6	5.3	3.5	8.8	139.4	189.9	329.3	6.3	42.3
June	64.8	133.5	4.4	2.7	7.1	140.5	191.0	331.5	5.0	42.4
July	65.9	132.8	4.5	3.0	7.5	140.3	191.8	332.1	5.4	42.3
Aug.	61.8	130.4	4.6	3.3	7.8	138.2	192.5	330.6	5.7	41.8
Sept.	62.4	130.7	4.6	3.0	7.6	138.3	193.5	331.8	5.5	41.7
Oct.	62.2	131.0	4.3	2.6	6.9	137.8	190.2	328.0	5.0	42.0
Nov.	64.8	135.2	3.8	3.5	7.3	142.6	186.6	329.1	5.1	43.3
Dec.	62.0	133.5	3.5	3.7	7.2	140.8	183.8	324.5	5.1	43.4
1985 -										
Jan.	61.8	126.8	4.8	2.6	7.4	134.2	192.1	326.3	5.5	41.1
Feb.	63.1	131.8	4.0	3.9	7.9	139.7	182.7	322.4	5.7	43.3

(a) The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

(b) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

(c) See Explanatory Notes paragraph 26.

TABLE 1 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
SOUTH AUSTRALIA (continued)

South Australia (continued)

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population 15 years & over	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for							
			Full-time work	Part-time work						
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000		
ALL FEMALES										
Feb. 1978	126.3	197.8	16.5	6.2	22.7	220.6	270.5	491.0	10.3	44.9
Feb. 1979	123.6	204.0	16.8	5.1	21.8	225.9	271.8	497.6	9.7	45.4
Feb. 1980	121.2	198.8	17.2	5.5	22.7	221.5	281.5	503.0	10.2	44.0
Feb. 1981	127.7	205.3	16.4	4.7	21.2	226.4	283.2	509.7	9.4	44.4
Feb. 1982	126.8	211.2	17.7	5.6	23.3	234.5	282.6	517.3	10.0	45.4
Feb. 1983	120.7	206.6	20.5	6.6	27.1	233.7	289.8	523.5	11.6	44.6
1984 -										
Jan.	124.2	206.6	18.8	5.7	24.4	231.0	298.8	529.9	10.6	43.6
Feb.	122.0	207.8	18.9	5.5	24.5	232.3	298.1	530.4	10.5	43.8
Mar.	123.4	214.9	19.1	8.2	27.3	242.2	288.8	531.0	11.3	45.6
Apr.	122.2	216.6	18.2	6.2	24.4	241.0	290.6	531.6	10.1	45.3
May	119.6	212.7	18.1	5.6	23.8	236.5	295.8	532.3	10.0	44.4
June	121.0	213.3	17.2	4.7	21.9	235.2	297.7	532.9	9.3	44.1
July	122.1	213.0	17.7	4.8	22.4	235.5	298.1	533.6	9.5	44.1
Aug.	120.5	213.5	18.4	4.6	23.0	236.6	297.7	534.2	9.7	44.3
Sept.	121.1	212.7	18.3	5.5	23.9	236.5	298.4	534.9	10.1	44.2
Oct.	122.1	217.5	17.8	5.0	22.7	240.2	295.5	535.7	9.5	44.8
Nov.	125.6	221.7	16.4	5.6	22.0	243.7	292.6	536.4	9.0	45.4
Dec.	127.1	224.8	18.8	7.0	25.9	250.7	286.4	537.1	10.3	46.7
1985 -										
Jan.	126.6	215.3	18.8	5.5	24.3	239.6	298.0	537.6	10.1	44.6
Feb.	127.8	221.5	17.7	7.2	24.9	246.4	291.9	538.2	10.1	45.8
PERSONS										
Feb. 1978	465.9	555.0	37.8	7.7	45.6	600.6	363.5	964.1	7.6	62.3
Feb. 1979	460.1	558.6	43.3	6.3	49.7	608.2	366.8	975.0	8.2	62.4
Feb. 1980	458.5	552.2	41.7	7.0	48.7	600.9	384.5	985.5	8.1	61.0
Feb. 1981	464.3	560.1	40.1	6.3	46.4	606.4	392.0	998.4	7.7	60.7
Feb. 1982	465.4	567.6	44.1	7.1	51.2	618.8	393.6	1,012.4	8.3	61.1
Feb. 1983	442.2	550.6	59.1	9.6	68.8	619.4	405.4	1,024.8	11.1	60.4
1984 -										
Jan.	444.6	549.6	58.8	7.5	66.3	615.9	421.0	1,036.9	10.8	59.4
Feb.	445.7	552.1	56.2	8.5	64.7	616.9	421.1	1,037.9	10.5	59.4
Mar.	450.7	563.0	52.3	10.6	62.8	625.9	413.1	1,039.0	10.0	60.2
Apr.	448.3	563.9	51.1	8.0	59.1	623.0	417.2	1,040.2	9.5	59.9
May	443.4	559.2	50.7	6.8	57.6	616.7	424.7	1,041.4	9.3	59.2
June	446.3	559.3	48.7	7.4	56.1	615.4	427.2	1,042.6	9.1	59.0
July	447.5	560.8	50.2	6.4	56.6	617.4	426.6	1,044.0	9.2	59.1
Aug.	445.4	558.6	52.1	6.5	58.7	617.3	428.0	1,045.3	9.5	59.1
Sept.	448.9	560.4	54.3	7.8	62.1	622.5	424.1	1,046.7	10.0	59.5
Oct.	448.1	564.6	52.3	7.0	59.3	623.9	424.1	1,048.0	9.5	59.5
Nov.	455.9	574.4	45.8	7.8	53.6	628.0	421.4	1,049.4	8.5	59.8
Dec.	455.2	576.1	54.5	8.7	63.2	639.3	411.5	1,050.8	9.9	60.8
1985 -										
Jan.	450.1	559.4	54.6	8.4	62.9	622.3	429.7	1,051.9	10.1	59.2
Feb.	458.6	575.1	50.7	9.4	60.1	635.2	417.9	1,053.1	9.5	60.3

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TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(1) ADELAIDE STATISTICAL DIVISION

(1) KEELE STATISTICAL DIVISION

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force '000	Not in labour force '000	Civilian population 15 years & over '000	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full- time workers '000	Total '000	Looking for full-time work						
			'000	Total '000					
MALES									
Feb. 1978	240.3	254.2	17.1	18.0	272.1	71.0	343.2	6.6	79.3
Feb. 1979	235.9	249.7	22.1	23.0	272.7	73.5	346.2	8.4	78.8
Feb. 1980	237.4	249.4	20.5	21.8	271.2	78.5	349.7	8.0	77.6
Feb. 1981	237.1	250.1	18.6	19.9	270.0	83.4	353.4	7.4	76.4
Feb. 1982	238.2	250.5	20.9	22.0	272.5	85.0	357.5	8.1	76.2
Feb. 1983	225.8	240.8	29.5	32.3	273.1	88.5	361.6	11.8	75.5
1984 -									
Jan.	225.1	240.1	31.0	32.7	272.8	93.2	366.0	12.0	74.5
Feb.	227.1	242.4	27.5	30.0	272.4	94.0	366.4	11.0	74.3
Mar.	229.2	243.7	25.7	27.7	271.5	95.3	366.8	10.2	74.0
Apr.	227.4	243.1	25.1	26.6	269.7	97.5	367.2	9.9	73.5
May	225.6	243.0	25.2	26.1	269.1	98.6	367.7	9.7	73.2
June	228.2	244.0	24.1	25.7	269.7	98.5	368.2	9.5	73.2
July	228.9	245.9	23.2	24.3	270.1	98.6	368.7	9.0	73.3
Aug.	228.3	243.7	25.0	26.8	270.4	98.7	369.1	9.9	73.3
Sept.	230.8	245.5	27.0	28.8	274.4	95.2	369.6	10.5	74.2
Oct.	229.9	245.5	25.6	27.4	272.9	97.1	370.0	10.0	73.8
Nov.	233.8	250.5	20.7	22.4	272.9	97.7	370.5	8.2	73.6
Dec.	232.0	248.5	26.8	28.4	277.0	94.1	371.0	10.3	74.6
1985 -									
Jan.	228.3	243.1	27.3	29.6	272.8	98.8	371.5	10.9	73.4
Feb.	233.9	250.3	25.4	27.3	277.6	94.4	371.9	9.8	74.6
MARRIED FEMALES (c)									
Feb. 1978	51.0	90.5	3.5	6.9	97.4	124.7	222.1	7.1	43.9
Feb. 1979	47.5	90.3	3.0	5.3	95.6	126.2	221.8	5.5	43.1
Feb. 1980	42.7	85.0	2.4	4.8	89.8	126.9	216.7	5.3	41.4
Feb. 1981	46.9	85.3	2.4	3.9	89.2	127.6	216.8	4.4	41.1
Feb. 1982	45.5	87.5	3.2	5.8	93.4	128.0	221.3	6.2	42.2
Feb. 1983	42.6	89.8	3.8	6.9	96.7	137.7	234.3	7.1	41.3
1984 -									
Jan.	47.9	87.5	2.3	3.8	91.3	142.7	234.0	4.2	39.0
Feb.	46.4	90.9	*	3.7	94.6	139.8	234.4	3.9	40.4
Mar.	48.4	93.7	3.3	6.6	100.3	134.2	234.6	6.6	42.8
Apr.	49.1	94.5	3.5	6.3	100.8	135.5	236.2	6.3	42.7
May	47.6	94.0	4.0	6.9	100.9	134.0	234.9	6.8	42.9
June	49.4	95.4	3.6	5.7	101.1	134.7	235.8	5.6	42.9
July	50.5	94.7	3.4	6.1	100.7	136.5	237.3	6.0	42.5
Aug.	48.1	94.1	3.4	6.2	100.3	137.1	237.5	6.2	42.2
Sept.	47.0	94.9	3.5	6.0	100.8	137.0	237.8	5.9	42.4
Oct.	47.6	95.0	3.4	5.5	100.5	134.2	234.6	5.4	42.8
Nov.	49.3	97.9	3.1	5.7	103.7	130.5	234.1	5.5	44.3
Dec.	46.0	96.3	2.9	5.6	101.9	128.1	230.0	5.5	44.3
1985 -									
Jan.	47.0	91.1	3.6	6.1	97.3	134.2	231.4	6.3	42.0
Feb.	47.2	95.0	2.6	5.8	100.8	127.2	228.0	5.8	44.2

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(c) See Explanatory Notes paragraph 26.

TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(1) ADELAIDE STATISTICAL DIVISION (continued)

(1) RELEASED STATISTICAL DIVISION (continued)

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population 15 years & over	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work	Total					
ALL FEMALES									
Feb. 1978	98.4	149.6	12.9	17.9	167.4	198.7	366.1	10.7	45.7
Feb. 1979	96.2	152.7	13.2	17.2	170.0	200.8	370.7	10.1	45.9
Feb. 1980	91.9	148.2	13.1	17.7	165.9	208.5	374.4	10.7	44.3
Feb. 1981	100.5	155.0	13.0	15.9	170.9	208.6	379.5	9.3	45.0
Feb. 1982	98.4	156.0	14.6	18.9	174.9	210.0	384.9	10.8	45.4
Feb. 1983	91.2	151.9	15.6	20.8	172.7	216.9	389.6	12.0	44.3
1984 -									
Jan.	94.6	151.1	15.1	19.8	170.9	223.1	394.0	11.6	43.4
Feb.	93.4	153.2	13.7	18.5	171.7	222.6	394.3	10.8	43.5
Mar.	95.1	157.3	14.2	20.6	177.9	216.7	394.7	11.6	45.1
Apr.	94.8	157.9	14.0	19.0	176.9	218.1	395.1	10.7	44.8
May	93.6	158.3	13.6	17.9	176.2	219.3	395.5	10.2	44.5
June	94.3	158.4	13.2	16.9	175.4	220.5	395.9	9.7	44.3
July	96.0	158.4	13.1	17.1	175.5	220.8	396.4	9.7	44.3
Aug.	95.8	160.4	12.7	16.6	177.0	219.8	396.8	9.4	44.6
Sept.	94.5	160.1	13.7	18.2	178.4	218.9	397.3	10.2	44.9
Oct.	96.4	164.5	12.8	16.9	181.4	216.5	397.9	9.3	45.6
Nov.	98.8	167.5	12.3	16.7	184.2	214.3	398.4	9.1	46.2
Dec.	99.9	170.2	14.7	20.0	190.2	208.8	399.0	10.5	47.7
1985 -									
Jan.	100.5	162.9	14.5	19.4	182.4	217.0	399.4	10.6	45.7
Feb.	100.2	168.1	13.6	19.7	187.8	212.0	399.8	10.5	47.0
PERSONS									
Feb. 1978	338.8	403.7	30.0	35.8	439.6	269.7	709.3	8.2	62.0
Feb. 1979	332.1	402.4	35.3	40.2	442.6	274.3	716.9	9.1	61.7
Feb. 1980	329.4	397.6	33.5	39.5	437.2	287.0	724.2	9.0	60.4
Feb. 1981	337.6	405.1	31.6	35.7	440.8	292.0	732.8	8.1	60.2
Feb. 1982	336.6	406.5	35.5	41.0	447.4	295.0	742.4	9.2	60.3
Feb. 1983	317.0	392.8	45.1	53.1	445.9	305.4	751.2	11.9	59.4
1984 -									
Jan.	319.7	391.2	46.1	52.5	443.7	316.2	760.0	11.8	58.4
Feb.	320.5	395.7	41.2	48.5	444.1	316.6	760.7	10.9	58.4
Mar.	324.3	401.0	39.8	48.4	449.4	312.1	761.5	10.8	59.0
Apr.	322.2	401.1	39.0	45.6	446.7	315.6	762.3	10.2	58.6
May	319.2	401.3	38.7	44.0	445.3	317.9	763.2	9.9	58.3
June	322.5	402.4	37.3	42.6	445.1	319.0	764.0	9.6	58.3
July	324.9	404.3	36.3	41.4	445.7	319.4	765.0	9.3	58.3
Aug.	324.1	404.1	37.7	43.4	447.4	318.5	765.9	9.7	58.4
Sept.	325.3	405.7	40.7	47.1	452.7	314.2	766.9	10.4	59.0
Oct.	326.3	410.0	38.5	44.3	454.3	313.7	767.9	9.7	59.2
Nov.	332.7	417.9	33.0	39.1	457.0	311.9	769.0	8.6	59.4
Dec.	331.9	418.8	41.5	48.4	467.2	302.8	770.0	10.4	60.7
1985 -									
Jan.	328.8	406.1	41.7	49.0	455.1	315.8	770.9	10.8	59.0
Feb.	334.1	418.3	39.1	47.0	465.3	306.4	771.8	10.1	60.3

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TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(2) PARA AND NORTH EASTERN STATISTICAL SUBDIVISIONS

(2) DATA AND NORTH EASTERN STATISTICAL SUBDIVISIONS

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force '000	Not in labour force '000	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work	Total				
	'000	'000	'000	'000				
MALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	65.8	68.8	10.2	10.7	79.5	19.6	13.5	80.3
Feb.	66.3	68.9	9.8	10.0	78.9	20.6	12.7	79.3
Mar.	68.0	70.1	8.9	9.1	79.2	20.2	11.5	79.7
Apr.	68.2	70.7	7.0	7.6	78.3	21.1	9.7	78.8
May	68.8	72.2	7.8	7.8	79.9	22.5	9.7	78.0
June	69.0	71.9	7.5	8.2	80.1	21.5	10.2	78.8
July	68.5	71.7	7.3	8.1	79.8	21.5	10.2	78.8
Aug.	68.3	71.4	7.0	7.7	79.1	21.7	9.7	78.5
Sept.	70.1	73.1	7.1	7.9	81.0	20.9	9.7	79.5
Oct.	68.2	71.7	7.8	8.4	80.0	21.2	10.5	79.1
Nov.	68.1	72.4	5.7	6.0	78.4	21.2	7.7	78.7
Dec.	67.5	72.1	8.1	8.5	80.6	20.6	10.5	79.7
1985 -								
Jan.	68.4	72.0	8.6	9.2	81.2	20.6	11.3	79.8
Feb.	68.9	73.4	8.1	8.8	82.2	20.3	10.7	80.2
FEMALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	24.0	39.6	6.1	7.7	47.3	57.8	16.2	45.0
Feb.	24.8	40.6	4.2	5.4	46.0	59.7	11.6	43.5
Mar.	26.4	42.5	5.0	7.3	49.8	57.4	14.6	46.4
Apr.	26.2	42.3	5.1	6.7	49.0	57.2	13.6	46.1
May	25.8	43.6	4.5	6.0	49.6	56.4	12.0	46.8
June	27.4	43.8	5.0	6.4	50.1	56.8	12.7	46.9
July	28.9	45.0	4.4	5.8	50.8	56.9	11.3	47.2
Aug.	28.9	45.5	4.8	6.4	51.9	56.1	12.4	48.1
Sept.	28.2	46.3	5.9	7.6	53.9	55.5	14.1	49.3
Oct.	28.9	47.2	5.6	7.4	54.6	54.3	13.6	50.1
Nov.	29.0	48.3	4.9	6.1	54.4	53.5	11.3	50.4
Dec.	30.3	50.7	5.1	7.2	57.9	52.9	12.4	52.2
1985 -								
Jan.	29.8	46.2	5.0	6.8	52.9	58.1	12.8	47.7
Feb.	30.0	47.9	5.0	6.7	54.6	55.9	12.2	49.4
PERSONS								
1984 -								
Jan.	89.8	108.3	16.3	18.4	126.7	77.3	14.5	62.1
Feb.	91.1	109.6	14.0	15.4	124.9	80.4	12.3	60.8
Mar.	94.5	112.6	13.9	16.4	129.0	77.6	12.7	62.4
Apr.	94.3	113.0	12.1	14.3	127.2	78.3	11.2	61.9
May	94.6	115.8	12.3	13.7	129.6	78.9	10.6	62.2
June	96.3	115.6	12.5	14.6	130.2	78.3	11.2	62.4
July	97.4	116.7	11.7	13.9	130.6	78.4	10.6	62.5
Aug.	97.2	117.0	11.7	14.1	131.0	77.8	10.7	62.7
Sept.	98.3	119.4	13.0	15.5	134.9	76.4	11.5	63.9
Oct.	97.1	118.9	13.4	15.8	134.7	75.5	11.7	64.1
Nov.	97.1	120.7	10.6	12.2	132.8	74.8	9.2	64.0
Dec.	97.8	122.9	13.3	15.7	138.5	73.5	11.3	65.3
1985 -								
Jan.	98.2	118.2	13.5	15.9	134.2	78.7	11.9	63.0
Feb.	98.9	121.3	13.1	15.4	136.8	76.2	11.3	64.2

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TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(3) WESTERN STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION

(3) WESTERN STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force '000	Not in labour force '000	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers '000	Total '000	Looking for full-time work '000	Total '000				
MALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	49.9	54.1	7.5	8.2	62.2	24.2	13.1	72.0
Feb.	49.4	53.6	7.3	8.0	61.6	24.8	13.0	71.3
Mar.	48.6	52.0	6.9	7.4	59.4	25.2	12.5	70.3
Apr.	49.4	52.6	6.9	7.2	59.8	25.9	12.0	69.8
May	48.2	52.2	6.7	7.0	59.2	25.0	11.8	70.3
June	47.5	50.9	6.5	6.8	57.7	25.1	11.8	69.7
July	48.7	52.1	5.7	5.7	57.9	25.4	9.9	69.5
Aug.	49.6	53.1	6.8	7.2	60.3	25.7	11.9	70.1
Sept.	48.7	50.9	7.9	8.2	59.1	26.1	13.9	69.3
Oct.	47.6	51.1	6.6	6.7	57.9	25.4	11.6	69.5
Nov.	48.9	53.3	5.5	5.8	59.1	24.6	9.8	70.6
Dec.	49.0	52.1	7.2	7.4	59.5	24.8	12.5	70.6
1985 -								
Jan.	45.1	48.2	7.3	7.6	55.7	27.1	13.6	67.3
Feb.	47.5	50.9	7.5	7.7	58.6	24.7	13.2	70.3
FEMALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	23.6	33.5	4.5	5.3	38.7	52.3	13.6	42.5
Feb.	21.5	32.7	3.5	4.6	37.3	52.6	12.3	41.5
Mar.	21.9	33.9	3.8	5.3	39.2	51.4	13.5	43.3
Apr.	22.7	34.5	3.8	4.8	39.3	53.0	12.3	42.6
May	22.7	34.5	4.4	5.0	39.5	55.7	12.7	41.5
June	21.5	33.4	3.3	4.0	37.5	56.8	10.8	39.7
July	22.5	32.9	3.4	4.5	37.5	57.0	12.1	39.6
Aug.	21.3	33.1	3.4	4.2	37.4	56.6	11.4	39.8
Sept.	20.8	31.4	3.5	4.8	36.2	57.4	13.2	38.7
Oct.	22.2	34.8	2.7	3.8	38.6	52.9	9.9	42.2
Nov.	22.8	36.2	3.7	5.1	41.3	50.9	12.4	44.8
Dec.	22.3	34.9	4.3	5.7	40.6	51.9	14.0	43.8
1985 -								
Jan.	22.0	33.0	3.9	5.0	38.0	53.5	13.1	41.5
Feb.	21.8	33.5	3.2	5.1	38.6	50.7	13.1	43.2
PERSONS								
1984 -								
Jan.	73.5	87.5	12.0	13.4	101.0	76.5	13.3	56.9
Feb.	71.0	86.3	10.8	12.6	98.9	77.4	12.8	56.1
Mar.	70.5	85.9	10.7	12.7	98.6	76.5	12.9	56.3
Apr.	72.2	87.0	10.7	12.0	99.0	78.9	12.1	55.7
May	70.9	86.7	11.1	12.0	98.7	80.7	12.2	55.0
June	69.0	84.3	9.8	10.8	95.2	81.9	11.4	53.7
July	71.1	85.1	9.1	10.3	95.3	82.4	10.8	53.6
Aug.	70.8	86.2	10.2	11.4	97.6	82.2	11.7	54.3
Sept.	69.5	82.3	11.3	13.0	95.3	83.5	13.6	53.3
Oct.	69.8	85.9	9.3	10.5	96.5	78.4	10.9	55.2
Nov.	71.7	89.4	9.2	10.9	100.3	75.5	10.9	57.1
Dec.	71.3	87.0	11.5	13.1	100.1	76.7	13.1	56.6
1985 -								
Jan.	67.1	81.2	11.2	12.6	93.7	80.6	13.4	53.8
Feb.	69.3	84.4	10.8	12.8	97.2	75.4	13.2	56.3

(a) The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

(b) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(4) EASTERN STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION

(7) LABOR PARTICIPATION COEFFICIENT

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force '000	Not in labour force '000	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers '000	Total '000	Looking for full-time work '000	Total '000				
MALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	46.0	49.4	6.1	6.1	55.5	26.9	11.1	67.4
Feb.	49.3	52.9	4.6	5.2	58.0	25.3	8.9	69.6
Mar.	50.3	54.5	4.5	5.2	59.7	25.9	8.8	69.7
Apr.	49.7	54.6	4.7	5.1	59.7	26.3	8.5	69.4
May	48.9	53.3	4.6	5.2	58.5	27.3	8.8	68.2
June	51.4	55.9	4.7	4.9	60.8	25.9	8.1	70.1
July	49.1	54.3	5.3	5.4	59.7	25.6	9.0	70.0
Aug.	49.3	54.1	5.4	5.7	59.8	24.1	9.6	71.3
Sept.	50.6	55.6	5.0	5.4	61.0	23.4	8.8	72.2
Oct.	51.4	55.7	5.2	5.7	61.4	23.7	9.3	72.2
Nov.	50.8	55.1	4.4	5.1	60.2	23.8	8.4	71.7
Dec.	50.6	55.1	4.9	5.5	60.6	23.0	9.0	72.5
1985 -								
Jan.	49.2	52.8	5.2	6.1	58.9	25.0	10.3	70.2
Feb.	51.0	55.4	4.2	4.8	60.3	23.7	8.0	71.8
FEMALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	24.4	37.3	2.3	3.1	40.4	50.8	7.6	44.3
Feb.	24.6	37.4	3.1	4.1	41.5	50.0	10.0	45.4
Mar.	23.1	36.8	3.0	4.1	40.9	48.6	9.9	45.7
Apr.	24.1	38.4	2.9	4.0	42.4	48.8	9.4	46.5
May	23.2	38.3	2.3	3.6	41.9	47.4	8.6	46.9
June	23.5	39.4	2.6	3.4	42.9	44.8	8.0	48.9
July	22.2	37.9	2.8	3.6	41.5	47.3	8.6	46.8
Aug.	22.7	38.2	2.9	3.5	41.7	46.2	8.5	47.5
Sept.	22.8	39.6	1.9	2.4	42.0	47.9	5.8	46.7
Oct.	24.1	40.4	2.5	2.5	42.9	49.2	5.8	46.6
Nov.	23.8	39.4	*	*	41.1	48.6	*	45.8
Dec.	24.1	39.6	2.4	3.2	42.8	46.4	7.5	48.0
1985 -								
Jan.	23.2	36.8	2.3	3.1	40.0	48.7	7.8	45.1
Feb.	23.5	39.8	2.3	3.5	43.3	48.5	8.1	47.1
PERSONS								
1984 -								
Jan.	70.3	86.7	8.5	9.2	95.9	77.6	9.6	55.3
Feb.	73.9	90.2	7.8	9.3	99.5	75.3	9.3	56.9
Mar.	73.3	91.3	7.5	9.3	100.6	74.5	9.2	57.5
Apr.	73.8	93.0	7.7	9.1	102.1	75.0	8.9	57.6
May	72.1	91.6	6.9	8.8	100.4	74.6	8.8	57.4
June	74.9	95.3	7.3	8.4	103.7	70.7	8.1	59.5
July	71.3	92.3	8.0	9.0	101.2	72.9	8.8	58.1
Aug.	72.0	92.3	8.3	9.2	101.6	70.3	9.1	59.1
Sept.	73.4	95.2	6.9	7.8	103.0	71.3	7.6	59.1
Oct.	75.5	96.1	7.7	8.2	104.3	72.8	7.8	58.9
Nov.	74.6	94.5	5.8	6.8	101.3	72.4	6.7	58.3
Dec.	74.7	94.7	7.3	8.7	103.4	69.4	8.4	59.8
1985 -								
Jan.	72.4	89.7	7.5	9.2	98.8	73.7	9.3	57.3
Feb.	74.5	95.2	6.6	8.3	103.6	72.2	8.1	58.9

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(b) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(5) SOUTHERN STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force '000	Not in labour force '000	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for Full-time work	Total				
	'000	'000	'000	'000				
MALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	63.4	67.9	7.1	7.7	75.6	22.6	10.2	77.0
Feb.	62.0	67.1	5.7	6.8	73.8	23.3	9.2	76.0
Mar.	62.2	67.1	5.3	5.9	73.1	24.1	8.1	75.2
Apr.	60.1	65.4	6.4	6.7	72.1	24.2	9.3	74.8
May	59.7	65.3	6.0	6.2	71.5	23.9	8.6	75.0
June	60.4	65.3	5.3	5.7	71.1	25.9	8.1	73.3
July	62.7	67.7	5.0	5.0	72.7	26.1	6.9	73.6
Aug.	61.0	65.0	5.9	6.2	71.3	27.2	8.8	72.4
Sept.	61.3	66.0	7.1	7.4	73.3	24.8	10.0	74.7
Oct.	62.8	67.0	6.1	6.6	73.6	26.8	9.0	73.3
Nov.	66.0	69.7	5.1	5.5	75.2	28.1	7.3	72.8
Dec.	64.9	69.2	6.5	7.0	76.3	25.8	9.2	74.8
1985 -								
Jan.	65.6	70.1	6.1	6.8	76.9	26.0	8.8	74.7
Feb.	66.5	70.6	5.6	5.9	76.5	25.6	7.8	74.9
FEMALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	22.6	40.7	2.2	3.8	44.5	62.2	8.5	41.7
Feb.	22.5	42.5	3.0	4.4	46.9	60.3	9.4	43.8
Mar.	23.7	44.1	2.4	4.0	48.1	59.4	8.3	44.7
Apr.	21.8	42.8	2.2	3.5	46.3	59.2	7.6	43.9
May	21.8	41.9	2.4	3.3	45.2	59.8	7.3	43.0
June	21.9	41.8	2.3	3.1	44.9	62.0	7.0	42.0
July	22.4	42.6	2.5	3.2	45.8	59.6	7.0	43.4
Aug.	23.0	43.6	1.6	2.4	46.0	60.9	5.2	43.0
Sept.	22.7	42.8	2.4	3.4	46.2	58.2	7.4	44.3
Oct.	21.2	42.0	2.0	3.2	45.2	60.1	7.0	42.9
Nov.	23.2	43.6	2.3	3.8	47.4	61.2	7.9	43.7
Dec.	23.2	45.0	2.9	3.9	48.9	57.5	8.0	46.0
1985 -								
Jan.	25.5	46.9	3.3	4.6	51.4	56.8	8.8	47.5
Feb.	24.8	46.9	3.0	4.5	51.3	56.9	8.7	47.4
PERSONS								
1984 -								
Jan.	86.1	108.6	9.3	11.5	120.1	84.8	9.6	58.6
Feb.	84.5	109.5	8.7	11.2	120.7	83.5	9.3	59.1
Mar.	85.9	111.2	7.7	9.9	121.2	83.5	8.2	59.2
Apr.	81.9	108.1	8.6	10.3	118.4	83.4	8.7	58.7
May	81.6	107.2	8.4	9.4	116.7	83.7	8.1	58.2
June	82.3	107.1	7.6	8.9	116.0	88.0	7.7	56.9
July	85.0	110.3	7.5	8.3	118.5	85.7	7.0	58.0
Aug.	84.0	108.6	7.5	8.6	117.2	88.1	7.4	57.1
Sept.	84.1	108.8	9.5	10.8	119.6	83.0	9.0	59.0
Oct.	84.0	109.1	8.1	9.8	118.8	87.0	8.2	57.7
Nov.	89.2	113.3	7.4	9.3	122.6	89.3	7.6	57.8
Dec.	88.1	114.2	9.4	10.9	125.2	83.2	8.7	60.1
1985 -								
Jan.	91.1	117.0	9.5	11.3	128.4	82.8	8.8	60.8
Feb.	91.3	117.4	8.6	10.4	127.8	82.6	8.1	60.8

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(b) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(6) BALANCE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA (EXCLUDES ADELAIDE STATISTICAL DIVISION)

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population 15 years & over	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work	Total					
	'000	'000	'000	'000					
MALES									
1984 -									
Jan.	95.3	102.9	9.0	9.2	112.1	29.0	141.0	8.2	79.4
Feb.	96.6	101.9	9.8	10.3	112.2	29.0	141.1	9.2	79.5
Mar.	98.2	104.4	7.5	7.8	112.2	29.0	141.2	6.9	79.5
Apr.	98.7	104.2	7.8	8.0	112.2	29.1	141.3	7.2	79.4
May	98.2	103.4	7.4	7.7	111.1	30.3	141.4	7.0	78.6
June	97.1	102.0	7.4	8.5	110.5	31.0	141.5	7.7	78.1
July	96.6	101.9	9.2	9.9	111.8	29.9	141.7	8.8	78.9
Aug.	96.7	101.4	8.6	8.9	110.3	31.6	141.9	8.0	77.7
Sept.	97.0	102.2	9.0	9.4	111.6	30.5	142.1	8.5	78.5
Oct.	96.1	101.6	8.9	9.2	110.8	31.5	142.3	8.3	77.9
Nov.	96.5	102.2	8.6	9.1	111.4	31.1	142.5	8.2	78.2
Dec.	96.2	102.7	8.8	8.9	111.6	31.0	142.7	8.0	78.2
1985 -									
Jan.	95.1	100.9	8.5	9.0	109.9	32.9	142.8	8.2	77.0
Feb.	96.9	103.3	7.6	7.9	111.3	31.7	142.9	7.1	77.8
FEMALES									
1984 -									
Jan.	29.6	55.5	3.6	4.6	60.1	75.7	135.9	7.7	44.2
Feb.	28.6	54.6	5.2	6.0	60.6	75.5	136.1	9.8	44.5
Mar.	28.3	57.6	5.0	6.7	64.3	72.0	136.3	10.4	47.2
Apr.	27.4	58.7	4.3	5.4	64.1	72.5	136.6	8.4	46.9
May	26.0	54.5	4.6	5.9	60.3	76.5	136.8	9.7	44.1
June	26.7	54.9	3.9	5.0	59.8	77.2	137.0	8.3	43.6
July	26.1	54.6	4.6	5.3	60.0	77.3	137.2	8.9	43.7
Aug.	24.7	53.1	5.7	6.5	59.6	77.9	137.4	10.8	43.3
Sept.	26.6	52.5	4.6	5.6	58.1	79.5	137.6	9.7	42.3
Oct.	25.7	53.0	5.0	5.8	58.8	78.9	137.8	9.9	42.7
Nov.	26.7	54.2	4.2	5.3	59.5	78.4	137.9	8.9	43.2
Dec.	27.2	54.6	4.1	5.9	60.5	77.6	138.1	9.7	43.8
1985 -									
Jan.	26.1	52.4	4.3	4.9	57.3	81.0	138.2	8.5	41.4
Feb.	27.6	53.4	4.1	5.2	58.6	79.8	138.4	8.8	42.3
PERSONS									
1984 -									
Jan.	124.8	158.4	12.7	13.8	172.2	104.7	276.9	8.0	62.2
Feb.	125.2	156.5	15.0	16.3	172.7	104.5	277.2	9.4	62.3
Mar.	126.5	162.0	12.5	14.5	176.5	101.0	277.5	8.2	63.6
Apr.	126.1	162.9	12.1	13.4	176.3	101.6	277.9	7.6	63.5
May	124.2	157.9	12.0	13.6	171.5	106.8	278.2	7.9	61.6
June	123.8	156.9	11.4	13.4	170.3	108.2	278.6	7.9	61.1
July	122.7	156.6	13.9	15.2	171.8	107.2	279.0	8.9	61.6
Aug.	121.3	154.6	14.4	15.3	169.9	109.5	279.4	9.0	60.8
Sept.	123.6	154.7	13.6	15.1	169.8	110.0	279.7	8.9	60.7
Oct.	121.8	154.6	13.8	15.0	169.6	110.5	280.1	8.8	60.6
Nov.	123.2	156.5	12.8	14.5	170.9	109.5	280.4	8.5	61.0
Dec.	123.4	157.4	12.9	14.8	172.1	108.6	280.8	8.6	61.3
1985 -									
Jan.	121.2	153.3	12.8	13.9	167.2	113.9	281.0	8.3	59.5
Feb.	124.5	156.7	11.6	13.1	169.8	111.5	281.3	7.7	60.4

(a) The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

(b) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(7) YORKE AND LOWER NORTH, NORTHERN AND EYRE STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force '000	Not in labour force '000	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full- time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work	Total				
	'000	'000	'000	'000				
MALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	43.2	46.5	4.2	4.2	50.6	14.3	8.2	78.0
Feb.	43.7	45.7	5.4	5.7	51.4	13.9	11.1	78.8
Mar.	45.8	48.0	4.1	4.3	52.3	14.1	8.2	78.8
Apr.	46.4	48.6	3.9	4.0	52.6	13.6	7.7	79.4
May	46.9	49.2	3.6	3.6	52.9	15.1	6.9	77.8
June	45.8	48.0	4.7	4.8	52.8	14.9	9.1	77.9
July	46.1	48.3	5.2	5.3	53.6	14.2	9.8	79.0
Aug.	45.9	48.1	4.6	4.6	52.7	14.3	8.7	78.6
Sept.	46.5	49.3	4.2	4.2	53.6	13.4	7.9	80.0
Oct.	44.2	47.1	3.9	4.1	51.2	14.4	8.0	78.1
Nov.	44.4	46.5	4.4	4.7	51.2	14.8	9.1	77.5
Dec.	43.8	46.6	4.4	4.5	51.1	14.4	8.8	78.0
1985 -								
Jan.	42.0	45.0	4.1	4.5	49.4	15.4	9.0	76.3
Feb.	43.2	45.9	4.1	4.4	50.3	14.4	8.7	77.8
FEMALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	10.9	23.6	1.8	2.5	26.1	35.5	9.5	42.3
Feb.	12.0	24.6	2.7	3.2	27.8	34.1	11.5	44.9
Mar.	12.2	26.6	2.6	3.3	29.8	32.1	10.9	48.2
Apr.	11.6	25.8	2.3	2.8	28.6	33.9	9.7	45.8
May	11.2	24.3	2.3	2.9	27.2	35.4	10.8	43.5
June	10.2	23.6	2.1	2.6	26.2	36.1	9.9	42.1
July	11.4	24.2	2.8	3.0	27.2	35.0	11.0	43.7
Aug.	9.6	22.9	2.7	3.1	25.9	35.8	11.8	42.0
Sept.	11.3	23.6	2.1	2.3	25.8	36.8	8.8	41.2
Oct.	10.0	23.2	1.8	1.9	25.1	36.8	7.5	40.6
Nov.	10.7	23.7	2.0	2.5	26.2	36.5	9.5	41.7
Dec.	11.7	24.7	1.8	2.2	26.9	35.4	8.3	43.2
1985 -								
Jan.	9.2	21.9	2.2	2.6	24.4	36.4	10.5	40.2
Feb.	10.2	22.4	1.9	2.3	24.7	36.5	9.3	40.4
PERSONS								
1984 -								
Jan.	54.1	70.0	5.9	6.6	76.7	49.8	8.6	60.6
Feb.	55.7	70.3	8.1	8.9	79.2	48.0	11.2	62.3
Mar.	58.0	74.6	6.7	7.5	82.1	46.2	9.2	64.0
Apr.	58.0	74.4	6.2	6.8	81.2	47.5	8.4	63.1
May	58.2	73.5	5.9	6.6	80.1	50.5	8.2	61.4
June	56.0	71.6	6.8	7.4	79.0	51.0	9.4	60.8
July	57.5	72.5	7.9	8.2	80.8	49.2	10.2	62.1
Aug.	55.6	71.0	7.4	7.7	78.6	50.1	9.7	61.1
Sept.	57.8	72.9	6.3	6.5	79.4	50.2	8.2	61.3
Oct.	54.2	70.3	5.7	6.0	76.3	51.2	7.8	59.9
Nov.	55.1	70.2	6.4	7.1	77.3	51.4	9.2	60.1
Dec.	55.5	71.3	6.2	6.7	78.0	49.9	8.6	61.0
1985 -								
Jan.	51.2	66.8	6.3	7.0	73.9	51.8	9.5	58.8
Feb.	53.5	68.3	6.0	6.7	75.0	50.9	8.9	59.6

(a) The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

(b) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER
(8) OUTER ADELAIDE, MURRAY LANDS AND SOUTH EAST STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

(3) OUTER MELBOURNE, MORRIS LAKES AND SOUTH EAST STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force '000	Not in labour force '000	Unemployment rate (a) per cent	Participation rate (b) per cent
	Full-time workers '000	Total '000	Looking for full-time work '000	Total '000				
MALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	52.1	56.4	4.9	5.0	61.4	14.7	8.1	80.7
Feb.	53.0	56.1	4.4	4.6	60.8	15.1	7.6	80.1
Mar.	52.3	56.4	3.4	3.5	59.9	14.9	5.9	80.0
Apr.	52.3	55.6	3.9	4.0	59.6	15.5	6.7	79.4
May	51.3	54.2	3.9	4.1	58.2	15.2	7.0	79.3
June	51.3	54.0	2.7	3.7	57.7	16.1	6.4	78.2
July	50.4	53.6	4.1	4.6	58.2	15.7	8.0	78.8
Aug.	50.8	53.3	4.0	4.3	57.6	17.3	7.4	76.9
Sept.	50.5	52.8	4.8	5.2	58.0	17.1	8.9	77.3
Oct.	51.9	54.5	5.0	5.1	59.6	17.1	8.5	77.7
Nov.	52.1	55.7	4.3	4.5	60.2	16.3	7.5	78.7
Dec.	52.4	56.1	4.4	4.4	60.6	16.6	7.3	78.5
1985 -								
Jan.	53.1	55.9	4.5	4.6	60.5	17.5	7.5	77.6
Feb.	53.6	57.4	3.5	3.5	60.9	17.3	5.8	77.9
FEMALES								
1984 -								
Jan.	18.7	31.9	1.9	2.2	34.1	40.3	6.4	45.8
Feb.	16.6	30.0	2.5	2.8	32.7	41.4	8.4	44.2
Mar.	16.1	31.0	2.4	3.5	34.5	39.9	10.0	46.3
Apr.	15.8	32.9	2.0	2.6	35.5	38.6	7.4	47.9
May	14.8	30.2	2.2	2.9	33.1	41.1	8.9	44.6
June	16.6	31.3	1.8	2.3	33.6	41.2	7.0	45.0
July	14.7	30.4	1.9	2.4	32.8	42.3	7.2	43.7
Aug.	15.0	30.3	3.0	3.4	33.7	42.1	10.1	44.5
Sept.	15.3	28.9	2.5	3.3	32.3	42.6	10.4	43.1
Oct.	15.7	29.8	3.2	4.0	33.7	42.2	11.7	44.4
Nov.	16.0	30.5	2.1	2.8	33.4	41.8	8.5	44.4
Dec.	15.5	29.9	2.3	3.6	33.5	42.2	10.7	44.3
1985 -								
Jan.	16.9	30.5	2.1	2.3	32.8	44.6	7.1	42.4
Feb.	17.4	31.0	2.1	2.9	33.9	43.3	8.5	43.9
PERSONS								
1984 -								
Jan.	70.7	88.3	6.7	7.2	95.5	55.0	7.5	63.5
Feb.	69.5	86.1	6.9	7.4	93.5	56.5	7.9	62.3
Mar.	68.4	87.4	5.8	7.0	94.3	54.9	7.4	63.2
Apr.	68.1	88.5	5.8	6.6	95.1	54.0	7.0	63.8
May	66.1	84.3	6.1	7.0	91.3	56.3	7.7	61.9
June	67.9	85.3	4.6	6.0	91.3	57.2	6.6	61.5
July	65.2	84.0	5.9	7.0	91.0	58.0	7.7	61.1
Aug.	65.8	83.6	7.0	7.6	91.2	59.4	8.4	60.6
Sept.	65.8	81.8	7.3	8.5	90.3	59.7	9.5	60.2
Oct.	67.6	84.3	8.1	9.0	93.3	59.3	9.7	61.2
Nov.	68.2	86.3	6.4	7.3	93.6	58.1	7.8	61.7
Dec.	67.9	86.1	6.7	8.0	94.1	58.8	8.5	61.6
1985 -								
Jan.	70.0	86.4	6.6	6.9	93.3	62.1	7.4	60.1
Feb.	71.0	88.4	5.6	6.4	94.8	60.6	6.7	61.0

(a) The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

(b) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

TABLE 3 - CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE AND PARTICIPATION RATES : AGE GROUP, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Month	Labour force (age group)					Participation rate (age group)(a)				
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35 & over	Total	15-19	20-24	25-34	35 & over	Total
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
MALES										
Feb. 1978	44.4	51.7	97.0	186.9	380.0	73.1	94.2	96.5	72.7	80.3
Feb. 1979	42.9	51.8	99.5	188.1	382.4	70.9	94.1	97.4	72.5	80.1
Feb. 1980	43.8	51.6	100.3	183.7	379.4	72.8	92.7	96.6	69.9	78.6
Feb. 1981	40.2	54.5	101.3	184.0	380.0	67.9	95.8	95.7	69.0	77.8
Feb. 1982	41.4	54.1	101.7	187.1	384.2	70.9	93.9	95.6	68.5	77.6
Feb. 1983	39.2	53.9	103.7	188.8	385.7	68.0	93.6	96.9	67.7	76.9
1984 -										
Jan.	39.4	54.0	103.9	187.5	384.8	68.9	93.6	96.2	66.0	75.9
Feb.	39.1	52.9	104.8	187.8	384.6	68.3	91.6	96.9	66.0	75.8
Mar.	38.7	52.7	103.7	188.6	383.7	67.7	91.3	95.8	66.2	75.5
Apr.	38.5	51.1	103.3	189.0	382.0	67.4	88.6	95.4	66.2	75.1
May	36.9	51.5	103.0	188.9	380.2	64.5	89.4	95.0	66.1	74.7
June	35.9	51.6	103.3	189.4	380.2	62.9	89.5	95.2	66.1	74.6
July	35.8	52.8	103.6	189.8	382.0	62.6	91.5	95.3	66.2	74.8
Aug.	36.0	52.4	102.5	189.8	380.7	63.1	90.9	94.2	66.0	74.5
Sept.	37.7	52.9	103.1	192.3	386.0	66.0	91.8	94.6	66.8	75.4
Oct.	37.1	52.4	103.4	190.7	383.7	65.0	91.0	94.8	66.1	74.9
Nov.	37.0	53.0	103.8	190.4	384.2	64.9	91.9	95.1	65.9	74.9
Dec.	40.2	54.3	103.9	190.2	388.6	70.4	94.2	95.0	65.7	75.6
1985 -										
Jan.	39.7	53.1	103.8	186.0	382.7	69.4	92.1	95.0	64.1	74.4
Feb.	39.7	55.0	103.6	190.5	388.8	69.4	95.4	94.7	65.6	75.5
FEMALES										
Feb. 1978	40.6	38.4	51.3	90.3	220.6	67.8	70.3	51.1	32.7	44.9
Feb. 1979	40.2	38.8	52.5	94.3	225.9	67.4	70.4	51.2	33.7	45.4
Feb. 1980	38.8	40.6	53.0	89.2	221.5	65.9	72.6	51.0	31.3	44.0
Feb. 1981	41.1	42.0	56.2	87.2	226.4	71.0	73.9	53.3	30.1	44.4
Feb. 1982	39.6	40.3	57.1	97.5	234.5	69.8	70.0	53.8	32.9	45.4
Feb. 1983	38.2	43.4	56.0	96.0	233.7	68.5	75.1	52.5	31.7	44.6
1984 -										
Jan.	38.6	41.9	57.3	93.2	231.0	69.8	72.4	53.4	30.1	43.6
Feb.	36.6	42.7	57.6	95.4	232.3	66.3	73.7	53.6	30.8	43.8
Mar.	36.1	43.4	61.5	101.2	242.2	65.5	74.9	57.2	32.6	45.6
Apr.	35.3	43.5	61.1	101.1	241.0	64.1	75.1	56.8	32.5	45.3
May	34.5	43.6	59.7	98.6	236.5	62.6	75.4	55.4	31.6	44.4
June	35.5	42.1	61.1	96.5	235.2	64.4	72.7	56.7	30.9	44.1
July	35.8	42.0	61.0	96.7	235.5	64.9	72.6	56.5	30.9	44.1
Aug.	35.9	42.9	60.9	96.9	236.6	65.2	74.3	56.3	30.9	44.3
Sept.	36.2	43.4	58.8	98.1	236.5	65.8	75.1	54.3	31.3	44.2
Oct.	36.4	43.3	59.8	100.8	240.2	66.0	74.9	55.1	32.1	44.8
Nov.	36.0	43.3	61.6	102.9	243.7	65.2	74.9	56.8	32.7	45.4
Dec.	39.9	45.3	62.2	103.3	250.7	72.3	78.5	57.3	32.7	46.7
1985 -										
Jan.	37.7	42.7	59.7	99.4	239.6	68.5	74.1	54.9	31.5	44.6
Feb.	36.6	42.5	63.1	104.2	246.4	66.4	73.8	57.9	32.9	45.8

(a) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population in the same group.

TABLE 3 - CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE AND PARTICIPATION RATES : AGE GROUP, SOUTH AUSTRALIA (continued)

Month	Labour force (age group)					Participation rate (age group)(a)				
	35 &				Total	35 &				Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	over		15-19	20-24	25-34	over	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
PERSONS										
Feb. 1978	85.1	90.1	148.3	277.1	600.6	70.5	82.3	73.8	52.0	62.3
Feb. 1979	83.1	90.6	152.0	282.4	608.2	69.2	82.2	74.2	52.3	62.4
Feb. 1980	82.6	92.2	153.2	272.8	600.9	69.4	82.7	73.8	49.9	61.0
Feb. 1981	81.3	96.4	157.5	271.2	606.4	69.4	84.8	74.5	48.8	60.7
Feb. 1982	81.0	94.4	158.8	284.6	618.8	70.4	82.0	74.7	50.0	61.1
Feb. 1983	77.4	97.3	159.8	284.8	619.4	68.3	84.4	74.7	48.9	60.4
1984 -										
Jan.	78.0	95.9	161.2	280.7	615.9	69.3	83.0	74.8	47.3	59.4
Feb.	75.7	95.6	162.5	283.1	616.9	67.4	82.7	75.3	47.6	59.4
Mar.	74.8	96.0	165.2	289.8	625.9	66.6	83.1	76.6	48.7	60.2
Apr.	73.8	94.6	164.4	290.1	623.0	65.8	81.9	76.1	48.7	59.9
May	71.4	95.2	162.7	287.4	616.7	63.6	82.4	75.3	48.1	59.2
June	71.4	93.7	164.4	285.9	615.4	63.6	81.1	76.0	47.8	59.0
July	71.5	94.8	164.6	286.5	617.4	63.7	82.1	76.0	47.8	59.1
Aug.	72.0	95.4	163.3	286.7	617.3	64.1	82.6	75.3	47.7	59.1
Sept.	74.0	96.3	161.9	290.4	622.5	65.9	83.5	74.5	48.3	59.5
Oct.	73.5	95.7	163.2	291.5	623.9	65.5	82.9	75.0	48.3	59.5
Nov.	73.0	96.2	165.4	293.3	628.0	65.0	83.4	76.0	48.6	59.8
Dec.	80.1	99.6	166.1	293.5	639.3	71.3	86.3	76.2	48.5	60.8
1985 -										
Jan.	77.5	95.8	163.6	285.4	622.3	69.0	83.1	75.0	47.1	59.2
Feb.	76.2	97.5	166.7	294.7	635.2	67.9	84.6	76.4	48.3	60.3

(a) The labour force participation rate for any group is the civilian labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population in the same group.

TABLE 4 - EMPLOYED PERSONS : STATUS OF WORKER, SOUTH AUSTRALIA ('000)

Month	Wage and salary earners			Employers and self-employed			Total (a)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Feb. 1978	295.2	171.0	466.2	60.7	25.4	86.1	357.2	197.8	555.0
Feb. 1979	287.5	177.5	465.0	65.8	25.9	91.7	354.5	204.0	558.6
Feb. 1980	292.4	173.1	465.5	59.5	24.9	84.4	353.4	198.8	552.2
Feb. 1981	291.2	177.5	468.7	62.3	26.9	89.1	354.8	205.3	560.1
Feb. 1982	289.8	181.7	471.5	65.4	27.8	93.2	356.4	211.2	567.6
Feb. 1983	278.4	175.0	453.4	64.5	29.9	94.5	344.0	206.6	550.6
1983 -									
Nov.	278.8	185.1	463.9	61.2	25.2	86.4	340.8	211.0	551.8
1984 -									
Feb.	285.8	181.5	467.3	57.3	25.5	82.8	344.3	207.8	552.1
May	286.8	184.2	471.0	58.7	27.5	86.2	346.4	212.7	559.2
Aug.	277.3	184.1	461.4	66.9	28.0	94.9	345.1	213.5	558.6
Nov.	287.0	191.1	478.2	63.9	29.2	93.0	352.7	221.7	574.4
1985 -									
Feb.	286.2	189.8	476.0	66.2	30.5	96.7	353.6	221.5	575.1

(a) Includes unpaid family helpers who worked 15 hours or more in the survey week.

TABLE 5 - EMPLOYED PERSONS : FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME STATUS, AGE GROUP, SOUTH AUSTRALIA
(1000)

Month	Full-time			Part-time			Total		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
15-19 YEARS									
Feb. 1978	30.9	24.8	55.7	5.3	6.2	11.4	36.2	31.0	67.1
Feb. 1979	28.5	23.7	52.2	5.0	7.8	12.7	33.4	31.5	64.9
Feb. 1980	29.9	22.3	52.1	4.9	7.2	12.1	34.8	29.4	64.3
Feb. 1981	27.1	20.8	47.9	5.5	9.6	15.1	32.6	30.4	63.0
Feb. 1982	29.2	20.2	49.4	4.8	10.1	14.9	34.1	30.2	64.3
Feb. 1983	22.7	19.6	42.4	5.5	8.5	14.0	28.3	28.1	56.4
1984 -									
Jan.	21.9	17.4	39.3	7.8	10.8	18.6	29.7	28.3	57.9
Feb.	22.9	16.5	39.4	6.0	11.2	17.2	28.9	27.7	56.6
Mar.	23.4	16.9	40.3	6.2	10.1	16.4	29.6	27.0	56.6
Apr.	23.6	16.5	40.1	6.0	11.1	17.1	29.6	27.6	57.2
May	22.6	15.6	38.2	6.4	11.8	18.2	29.0	27.4	56.4
June	22.3	16.8	39.1	5.1	10.4	15.5	27.4	27.3	54.7
July	22.0	16.2	38.2	5.7	11.5	17.2	27.8	27.7	55.4
Aug.	21.6	17.2	38.8	5.3	10.3	15.7	27.0	27.6	54.5
Sept.	22.1	17.7	39.7	5.9	10.4	16.3	28.0	28.0	56.0
Oct.	20.6	16.7	37.3	6.3	12.4	18.7	26.9	29.1	56.0
Nov.	20.9	18.0	38.9	7.4	11.4	18.8	28.4	29.3	57.8
Dec.	22.2	19.1	41.2	8.3	11.6	19.9	30.5	30.7	61.2
1985 -									
Jan.	20.7	19.2	39.9	7.8	9.6	17.4	28.5	28.8	57.3
Feb.	23.3	17.6	40.9	7.1	10.6	17.7	30.4	28.2	58.6
20-24 YEARS									
Feb. 1978	43.6	28.9	72.5	*	5.2	7.6	46.0	34.2	80.1
Feb. 1979	43.6	28.7	72.4	*	5.7	8.1	46.1	34.4	80.4
Feb. 1980	43.4	29.6	73.0	*	6.6	8.9	45.8	36.2	82.0
Feb. 1981	45.9	31.7	77.6	*	6.1	8.2	48.0	37.8	85.9
Feb. 1982	46.5	30.1	76.6	*	6.0	7.6	48.1	36.1	84.3
Feb. 1983	42.5	30.3	72.8	2.6	7.2	9.7	45.1	37.5	82.5
1984 -									
Jan.	41.5	29.6	71.1	2.7	7.0	9.7	44.2	36.6	80.8
Feb.	41.3	30.2	71.5	2.7	7.0	9.7	43.9	37.2	81.2
Mar.	41.9	29.3	71.2	2.5	8.5	11.0	44.4	37.9	82.2
Apr.	39.7	29.9	69.5	3.8	8.7	12.4	43.4	38.6	82.0
May	39.9	30.6	70.5	3.4	7.9	11.3	43.3	38.5	81.8
June	40.9	29.3	70.1	4.0	8.3	12.3	44.9	37.6	82.5
July	41.3	29.3	70.5	4.1	7.2	11.3	45.4	36.5	81.9
Aug.	42.1	28.6	70.7	2.8	8.6	11.4	44.9	37.2	82.1
Sept.	42.7	29.4	72.1	2.7	8.4	11.1	45.5	37.8	83.2
Oct.	42.4	29.7	72.0	2.8	7.7	10.5	45.2	37.3	82.5
Nov.	42.9	29.3	72.2	3.6	8.5	12.1	46.5	37.8	84.3
Dec.	43.7	30.7	74.5	2.0	8.5	10.5	45.7	39.3	85.0
1985 -									
Jan.	42.0	29.4	71.4	2.0	8.0	10.1	44.1	37.4	81.5
Feb.	43.4	28.5	71.9	2.8	9.3	12.2	46.2	37.8	84.0

TABLE 5 - EMPLOYED PERSONS : FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME STATUS, AGE GROUP, SOUTH AUSTRALIA (continued)
(1 000)

Month	Full-time			Part-time			Total		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
25-34 YEARS									
Feb. 1978	91.0	26.6	117.6	*	20.1	22.2	93.1	46.6	139.8
Feb. 1979	92.3	25.4	117.7	*	22.4	24.2	94.1	47.8	141.9
Feb. 1980	92.4	27.4	119.8	*	20.5	22.5	94.4	47.9	142.3
Feb. 1981	92.9	30.4	123.3	3.0	22.7	25.7	95.9	53.1	149.0
Feb. 1982	91.7	31.5	123.2	3.1	21.2	24.3	94.7	52.7	147.5
Feb. 1983	91.0	27.4	118.4	3.8	22.8	26.5	94.8	50.1	144.9
1984 -									
Jan.	90.6	30.6	121.2	3.1	22.1	25.2	93.7	52.8	146.4
Feb.	93.8	29.9	123.7	2.2	22.6	24.7	95.9	52.4	148.4
Mar.	94.2	31.8	126.0	2.4	23.4	25.8	96.6	55.2	151.8
Apr.	93.5	31.4	125.0	2.1	24.0	26.2	95.7	55.4	151.1
May	93.2	30.7	123.9	2.9	23.7	26.7	96.2	54.4	150.6
June	93.5	31.6	125.1	2.6	24.4	26.9	96.0	56.0	152.0
July	92.7	31.6	124.3	2.8	24.3	27.1	95.5	55.9	151.4
Aug.	93.2	32.3	125.6	*	23.6	25.0	94.7	55.9	150.6
Sept.	93.2	31.0	124.3	1.8	22.9	24.7	95.1	53.9	149.0
Oct.	93.9	32.5	126.4	2.4	22.6	25.0	96.3	55.1	151.4
Nov.	95.4	31.7	127.1	2.3	25.4	27.7	97.7	57.1	154.8
Dec.	93.0	30.7	123.7	3.0	26.3	29.2	96.0	57.0	153.0
1985 -									
Jan.	92.6	31.8	124.4	2.9	23.0	25.9	95.5	54.7	150.3
Feb.	93.6	34.0	127.6	3.1	23.2	26.3	96.7	57.2	153.8
35 YEARS & OVER									
Feb. 1978	174.1	46.0	220.1	7.9	40.0	47.9	182.0	86.0	268.0
Feb. 1979	172.1	45.8	217.9	8.8	44.7	53.4	180.9	90.4	271.3
Feb. 1980	171.6	41.9	213.5	6.8	43.4	50.1	178.4	85.3	263.7
Feb. 1981	170.6	44.9	215.4	7.6	39.1	46.7	178.2	84.0	262.2
Feb. 1982	171.2	45.0	216.2	8.3	47.1	55.4	179.5	92.1	271.6
Feb. 1983	165.2	43.4	208.7	10.7	47.4	58.1	175.9	90.8	266.7
1984 -									
Jan.	166.4	46.5	212.9	9.0	42.5	51.5	175.4	89.0	264.4
Feb.	165.8	45.4	211.2	9.7	45.1	54.8	175.6	90.5	266.0
Mar.	168.0	45.4	213.3	9.7	49.5	59.2	177.6	94.9	272.5
Apr.	169.3	44.5	213.7	9.3	50.6	60.0	178.6	95.1	273.7
May	168.1	42.7	210.9	9.9	49.7	59.6	178.0	92.4	270.5
June	168.6	43.3	211.9	9.1	49.2	58.3	177.7	92.5	270.2
July	169.4	45.0	214.5	9.7	47.9	57.6	179.2	93.0	272.1
Aug.	168.0	42.3	210.3	10.6	50.6	61.1	178.6	92.9	271.4
Sept.	169.7	43.1	212.8	9.5	49.8	59.4	179.2	92.9	272.1
Oct.	169.1	43.3	212.4	9.6	52.7	62.3	178.8	96.0	274.7
Nov.	171.1	46.6	217.7	9.0	50.8	59.9	180.1	97.4	277.6
Dec.	169.4	46.4	215.8	9.7	51.5	61.2	179.0	97.9	277.0
1985 -									
Jan.	168.1	46.3	214.3	7.8	48.1	55.9	176.0	94.3	270.2
Feb.	170.5	47.8	218.3	9.8	50.5	60.3	180.3	98.3	278.6

TABLE 8 - EMPLOYED PERSONS : OCCUPATION GROUP, SOUTH AUSTRALIA
(1000)

Month	Professional, technical & related workers	Administrative, executive & managerial	Clerical	Sales	Farmers, fishermen & timbergetters etc.	Transport & communication	Tradesmen, production- process workers & labourers n.e.c.	Service, sport & recreation	Total (a)
MALES									
1983 -									
Nov.	43.3	27.2	27.6	21.7	39.2	24.3	139.1	17.0	340.8
1984 -									
Feb.	44.8	29.1	29.9	22.2	37.2	24.0	140.0	15.6	344.3
May	44.2	33.8	28.4	23.4	36.8	22.4	137.8	17.6	346.4
Aug.	40.6	32.1	28.8	21.9	37.8	24.4	140.4	17.2	345.1
Nov.	43.2	32.0	28.4	22.7	38.1	23.5	144.5	19.2	352.7
1985 -									
Feb.	44.1	28.8	28.3	23.8	38.4	24.4	145.9	19.2	353.6
FEMALES									
1983 -									
Nov.	42.7	3.5	63.1	27.4	13.0	3.6	20.0	37.8	211.0
1984 -									
Feb.	39.2	4.6	65.2	29.4	11.8	3.1	18.8	35.8	207.8
May	45.0	5.9	66.6	26.6	10.5	2.9	17.9	37.4	212.7
Aug.	44.7	5.9	64.3	28.4	11.2	2.5	17.3	39.4	213.5
Nov.	45.3	6.3	69.0	30.2	10.0	1.9	19.4	39.6	221.7
1985 -									
Feb.	43.3	5.6	70.3	28.3	11.2	2.5	20.2	40.0	221.5
PERSONS									
1983 -									
Nov.	86.0	30.6	90.7	49.1	52.2	27.9	159.1	54.9	551.8
1984 -									
Feb.	83.9	33.7	95.1	51.7	49.0	27.1	158.8	51.5	552.1
May	89.2	39.7	95.0	50.1	47.3	25.3	155.7	55.0	559.2
Aug.	85.2	38.0	93.1	50.4	49.0	26.9	157.7	56.5	558.6
Nov.	88.5	38.2	97.4	52.9	48.1	25.4	163.8	58.8	574.4
1985 -									
Feb.	87.4	34.5	98.6	52.1	49.6	26.8	166.2	59.2	575.1

(a) Includes miners and quarrymen and related workers.

TABLE 7 - EMPLOYED PERSONS : INDUSTRY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA
('000)

Month	Agriculture & services to agriculture	Manufacturing	Construction	Wholesale & retail trade	Transport & storage	Finance, property & business services	Community services (a)	Recreation, personal and other services	Other industries (b)	Total
MALES										
1983 -										
Nov.	32.7	82.4	30.1	58.8	23.1	22.2	37.1	13.5	40.9	340.8
1984 -										
Feb.	31.6	80.9	28.9	62.8	21.9	23.8	36.3	14.0	44.0	344.3
May	30.7	81.5	28.4	62.9	22.2	24.8	37.9	14.0	44.0	346.4
Aug.	31.4	79.1	31.9	63.6	23.7	23.7	36.0	14.0	41.7	345.1
Nov.	29.8	85.4	32.3	64.5	24.4	22.4	37.9	14.9	41.1	352.7
1985 -										
Feb.	29.8	84.4	33.8	61.8	25.1	22.5	39.5	16.1	40.7	353.6
FEMALES										
1983 -										
Nov.	12.5	23.6	4.2	47.3	3.1	18.6	72.5	18.9	10.3	211.0
1984 -										
Feb.	10.9	22.9	3.0	51.8	3.4	20.2	67.6	19.4	8.7	207.9
May	9.6	24.1	4.7	47.1	3.4	21.6	72.1	19.9	10.2	212.7
Aug.	10.8	25.9	4.3	45.5	3.1	20.8	71.3	21.6	10.3	213.5
Nov.	9.5	27.9	5.1	48.1	3.7	23.1	71.4	23.1	9.9	221.7
1985 -										
Feb.	10.8	25.1	5.3	50.3	4.3	19.6	71.8	23.6	10.8	221.5
PERSONS										
1983 -										
Nov.	45.3	106.1	34.3	106.1	26.2	40.8	109.5	32.4	51.2	551.8
1984 -										
Feb.	42.5	103.9	31.9	114.5	25.3	44.0	103.9	33.4	52.7	552.1
May	40.3	105.6	33.2	110.0	25.6	46.4	109.9	33.9	54.2	559.2
Aug.	42.1	105.0	36.2	109.1	26.8	44.5	107.3	35.6	52.0	558.6
Nov.	39.3	113.3	37.4	112.6	28.1	45.5	109.3	37.9	51.0	574.4
1985 -										
Feb.	40.5	109.5	39.1	112.1	29.4	42.1	111.3	39.7	51.5	575.1

(a) Comprises health; education, libraries etc.; welfare and religious institutions; other community services.

(b) Comprises mining; forestry, fishing and hunting; electricity, gas and water; communication; public administration and defence.

TABLE B - EMPLOYED PERSONS : INDUSTRY, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED, SOUTH AUSTRALIA
(Hours)

Month	Agriculture & services to agriculture	Manufacturing	Construction	Wholesale & retail trade	Transport & storage	Finance, property & business services	Community services (a)	Recreation, personal and other services	Other industries (b)	Total
MALES										
1983 -										
Nov.	56.2	38.2	41.2	41.5	39.2	39.5	39.6	32.1	36.7	40.7
1984 -										
Feb.	45.1	35.4	37.3	36.8	34.4	35.8	34.8	36.2	32.8	36.3
May	50.4	39.6	41.4	39.7	38.1	39.1	38.5	38.7	35.9	40.0
Aug.	46.1	39.5	39.1	40.2	39.5	41.5	39.3	39.2	35.6	39.8
Nov.	50.5	39.5	39.4	40.0	40.7	39.9	39.3	37.7	36.3	40.1
1985 -										
Feb.	43.6	38.5	39.7	41.3	38.4	39.2	35.4	38.2	36.6	39.0
FEMALES										
1983 -										
Nov.	25.6	32.9	20.4	26.5	29.3	28.8	29.8	22.5	28.7	28.2
1984 -										
Feb.	24.8	31.2	22.8	25.3	23.9	27.3	26.5	27.2	29.0	26.8
May	20.2	31.8	20.3	26.7	28.1	29.8	28.5	26.0	32.1	28.0
Aug.	20.2	32.5	18.1	26.6	30.5	30.1	29.3	26.6	30.2	28.3
Nov.	20.2	33.3	22.2	27.4	23.6	26.4	29.5	25.9	29.3	28.1
1985 -										
Feb.	26.4	33.1	23.0	27.0	25.4	28.3	27.7	24.0	31.5	27.8
PERSONS										
1983 -										
Nov.	47.7	37.0	38.7	34.8	38.0	34.6	33.1	26.5	35.1	35.9
1984 -										
Feb.	39.9	34.5	36.0	31.6	33.0	31.9	29.4	31.0	32.2	32.7
May	43.2	37.8	38.4	34.1	36.7	34.7	31.9	31.2	35.2	35.4
Aug.	39.5	37.7	36.6	34.5	38.5	36.2	32.6	31.5	34.5	35.4
Nov.	43.2	38.0	37.0	34.6	38.5	33.0	32.9	30.5	35.0	35.5
1985 -										
Feb.	39.0	37.2	37.4	34.9	36.5	34.1	30.4	29.7	35.5	34.7

(a) Comprises health; education, libraries etc.; welfare and religious institutions; other community services.

(b) Comprises mining; forestry, fishing and hunting; electricity, gas and water; communication; public administration and defence.

TABLE 9 - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : AGE GROUP, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Month	Unemployed (age group)					Unemployment rate (agegroup)(a)				
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35 & over	Total	15-19	20-24	25-34	35 & over	Total
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
MALES										
Feb. 1978	8.3	5.7	3.9	4.9	22.8	18.6	11.1	4.0	2.6	6.0
Feb. 1979	9.5	5.7	5.4	7.2	27.8	22.1	11.1	5.4	3.8	7.3
Feb. 1980	9.0	5.8	5.9	5.2	26.0	20.6	11.3	5.9	2.9	6.9
Feb. 1981	7.6	6.4	5.4	5.8	25.2	18.8	11.8	5.3	3.2	6.6
Feb. 1982	7.3	6.0	7.0	7.6	27.8	17.7	11.0	6.9	4.1	7.3
Feb. 1983	10.9	8.8	8.9	12.9	41.7	27.9	16.4	8.6	6.9	10.8
1984 -										
Jan.	9.8	9.8	10.2	12.1	41.9	24.8	18.1	9.9	6.4	10.9
Feb.	10.2	8.9	8.9	12.2	40.3	26.2	16.8	8.5	6.5	10.5
Mar.	9.1	8.3	7.1	11.0	35.5	23.5	15.8	6.8	5.8	9.3
Apr.	8.9	7.7	7.6	10.4	34.6	23.1	15.1	7.4	5.5	9.1
May	7.9	8.3	6.8	10.8	33.8	21.5	16.0	6.6	5.7	8.9
June	8.5	6.7	7.3	11.7	34.2	23.7	13.0	7.0	6.2	9.0
July	8.0	7.4	8.1	10.6	34.2	22.4	14.1	7.8	5.6	8.9
Aug.	9.1	7.6	7.7	11.3	35.6	25.2	14.4	7.6	5.9	9.4
Sept.	9.7	7.5	8.0	13.1	38.3	25.8	14.1	7.7	6.8	9.9
Oct.	10.2	7.2	7.1	11.9	36.5	27.5	13.8	6.9	6.3	9.5
Nov.	8.6	6.5	6.1	10.3	31.5	23.3	12.3	5.9	5.4	8.2
Dec.	9.7	8.6	7.9	11.1	37.3	24.1	15.8	7.6	5.9	9.6
1985 -										
Jan.	11.2	9.1	8.3	10.1	38.6	28.2	17.1	8.0	5.4	10.1
Feb.	9.2	8.8	7.0	10.3	35.2	23.3	15.9	6.7	5.4	9.1
FEMALES										
Feb. 1978	9.6	4.2	4.6	4.3	22.7	23.7	11.0	9.1	4.7	10.3
Feb. 1979	8.8	4.4	4.8	3.9	21.8	21.8	11.5	9.1	4.1	9.7
Feb. 1980	9.4	4.4	5.0	3.9	22.7	24.1	10.8	9.5	4.4	10.2
Feb. 1981	10.7	4.1	3.1	3.2	21.2	26.1	9.8	5.5	3.7	9.4
Feb. 1982	9.4	4.1	4.4	5.4	23.3	23.8	10.3	7.7	5.5	10.0
Feb. 1983	10.1	5.9	5.9	5.2	27.1	26.3	13.7	10.5	5.4	11.6
1984 -										
Jan.	10.3	5.3	4.6	4.2	24.4	26.7	12.7	7.9	4.6	10.6
Feb.	8.9	5.5	5.2	4.9	24.5	24.4	12.8	9.0	5.1	10.5
Mar.	9.1	5.5	6.4	6.3	27.3	25.3	12.7	10.4	6.2	11.3
Apr.	7.8	5.0	5.7	6.0	24.4	22.0	11.4	9.3	6.0	10.1
May	7.1	5.2	5.3	6.1	23.8	20.6	11.8	8.9	6.2	10.0
June	8.2	4.5	5.1	4.0	21.9	23.2	10.7	8.4	4.2	9.3
July	8.1	5.5	5.1	3.7	22.4	22.6	13.1	8.4	3.8	9.5
Aug.	8.4	5.7	5.0	4.0	23.0	23.3	13.3	8.2	4.1	9.7
Sept.	8.2	5.6	4.9	5.2	23.9	22.6	13.0	8.3	5.3	10.1
Oct.	7.3	5.9	4.7	4.8	22.7	20.1	13.7	7.8	4.8	9.5
Nov.	6.6	5.4	4.5	5.5	22.0	18.4	12.5	7.4	5.3	9.0
Dec.	9.1	6.0	5.2	5.4	25.9	23.0	13.2	8.4	5.3	10.3
1985 -										
Jan.	8.9	5.3	5.0	5.1	24.3	23.7	12.4	8.4	5.1	10.1
Feb.	8.4	4.7	5.9	5.9	24.9	23.0	11.0	9.4	5.6	10.1

(a) The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

TABLE 9 - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : AGE GROUP, SOUTH AUSTRALIA (continued)

Month	Unemployed (age group)					Unemployment rate (age group)(a)				
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35 & over	Total	15-19	20-24	25-34	35 & over	Total
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
PERSONS										
Feb. 1978	17.9	9.9	8.5	9.2	45.6	21.1	11.0	5.8	3.3	7.6
Feb. 1979	18.2	10.2	10.2	11.1	49.7	21.9	11.2	6.7	3.9	8.2
Feb. 1980	18.4	10.2	10.9	9.2	48.7	22.2	11.1	7.1	3.4	8.1
Feb. 1981	18.3	10.5	8.5	9.0	46.4	22.5	10.9	5.4	3.3	7.7
Feb. 1982	16.7	10.1	11.3	13.0	51.2	20.7	10.7	7.1	4.6	8.3
Feb. 1983	21.0	14.8	14.8	18.1	68.8	27.1	15.2	9.3	6.4	11.1
1984 -										
Jan.	20.1	15.1	14.8	16.3	66.3	25.7	15.8	9.2	5.8	10.8
Feb.	19.2	14.4	14.1	17.1	64.7	25.3	15.0	8.7	6.0	10.5
Mar.	18.2	13.8	13.5	17.3	62.8	24.3	14.4	8.2	6.0	10.0
Apr.	16.7	12.6	13.3	16.4	59.1	22.6	13.4	8.1	5.7	9.5
May	15.1	13.4	12.1	17.0	57.6	21.1	14.1	7.5	5.9	9.3
June	16.8	11.2	12.4	15.7	56.1	23.5	12.0	7.5	7.2	9.1
July	16.1	13.0	13.2	14.4	56.6	22.5	13.7	8.0	5.0	9.2
Aug.	17.5	13.3	12.7	15.2	58.7	24.3	13.9	7.8	5.3	9.5
Sept.	17.9	13.1	12.9	18.3	62.1	24.2	13.6	7.9	6.3	10.0
Oct.	17.5	13.2	11.8	16.8	59.3	23.9	13.8	7.2	5.7	9.5
Nov.	15.3	11.9	10.6	15.8	53.6	20.9	12.4	6.4	5.4	8.5
Dec.	18.9	14.6	13.1	16.6	63.2	23.6	14.6	7.9	5.7	9.9
1985 -										
Jan.	20.1	14.4	13.3	15.2	62.9	26.0	15.0	8.1	5.3	10.1
Feb.	17.6	13.4	12.9	16.1	60.1	23.1	13.8	7.7	5.5	9.5

(a) See footnote (a) page 26.

TABLE 10 - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

TABLE 10 - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, 1978-1985									Average (mean)
Month	Number unemployed ('000)							Total	duration of unemployment (weeks)
	Under 4 weeks	4 & under 13 weeks	13 & under 26 weeks	26 & under 39 weeks	39 & under 52 weeks	52 & under 104 weeks	104 weeks & over		
	MALES								
Feb. 1978	4.1	7.3	4.7	3.1	2.7	*	22.8	25.7	
Feb. 1979	3.9	7.7	4.7	4.4	*	4.0	27.8	36.5	
Feb. 1980	3.2	7.8	3.6	3.6	4.6	3.2	26.0	40.1	
Feb. 1981	2.8	6.5	4.0	2.7	5.0	4.1	25.2	49.5	
Feb. 1982	4.1	7.1	3.8	2.7	*	4.1	27.8	46.5	
Feb. 1983	4.9	11.6	8.1	3.7	*	5.4	41.7	44.0	
1984 -									
Jan.	4.6	10.0	3.4	3.9	3.9	7.9	41.9	51.9	
Feb.	3.8	10.5	4.6	3.3	3.2	6.6	40.3	53.8	
Mar.	4.7	6.7	5.3	2.2	*	6.9	35.5	61.7	
Apr.	3.4	6.8	6.6	2.8	*	5.7	34.6	59.4	
May	3.3	4.7	6.7	2.5	*	6.4	33.8	64.9	
June	3.0	6.4	5.5	4.0	*	6.6	34.2	64.7	
July	4.7	5.6	4.8	3.3	*	5.7	34.2	66.2	
Aug.	3.6	6.4	6.3	4.5	*	6.1	35.6	59.0	
Sept.	4.4	7.2	4.4	4.3	2.1	6.3	38.3	65.6	
Oct.	4.1	7.3	4.1	4.2	2.2	5.4	36.5	64.9	
Nov.	3.6	7.1	3.7	2.8	1.8	5.1	31.5	61.2	
Dec.	4.5	6.9	4.8	3.9	*	6.1	37.3	67.0	
1985 -									
Jan.	5.3	9.4	5.1	3.9	2.0	4.2	38.6	55.0	
Feb.	3.7	8.0	5.3	2.9	*	4.7	35.2	61.3	

TABLE 10 - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, SOUTH AUSTRALIA (continued)

TABLE 10 - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT (Continued)

Month	Number unemployed ('000)							Average (mean) duration of unemployment (weeks)
	Under 4 weeks	4 & under 13 weeks	13 & under 26 weeks	26 & under 39 weeks	39 & under 52 weeks	52 & under 104 weeks	104 & over	
FEMALES								
Feb. 1978	5.5	8.6	3.1	2.9	2.5	22.7		18.7
Feb. 1979	5.5	7.6	3.6	2.7	*	21.8		21.7
Feb. 1980	3.8	7.3	3.2	2.6	*	22.7		33.2
Feb. 1981	3.2	6.4	2.8	3.0	3.2	21.2		35.7
Feb. 1982	5.3	7.8	2.7	*	3.1	23.3		34.7
Feb. 1983	4.5	7.8	3.0	2.8	*	27.1		33.3
1984 -								
Jan.	4.9	6.1	2.3	2.1	*	24.4		43.6
Feb.	5.0	6.7	2.8	*	*	24.5		40.6
Mar.	4.9	7.8	3.9	1.9	*	27.3		42.1
Apr.	4.3	5.2	5.3	1.8	*	24.4		40.9
May	4.1	4.8	5.3	2.1	*	23.8		40.3
June	3.3	4.0	4.5	2.1	*	21.9		51.9
July	3.8	4.1	3.7	3.9	*	22.4		47.2
Aug.	4.0	5.4	3.4	4.0	*	23.0		43.2
Sept.	5.5	4.9	4.0	2.3	*	23.9		43.8
Oct.	3.3	6.4	*	*	*	22.7		48.3
Nov.	3.6	5.4	2.5	2.0	1.8	22.0		54.4
Dec.	5.2	5.3	4.1	3.2	*	25.9		49.1
1985 -								
Jan.	4.7	6.9	3.0	2.6	*	24.3		45.2
Feb.	4.7	5.0	3.9	2.2	*	24.9		49.7
PERSONS								
Feb. 1978	9.6	15.9	7.8	4.9	*	45.6		22.2
Feb. 1979	9.4	15.3	8.3	6.1	*	49.7		30.0
Feb. 1980	7.0	15.1	6.8	5.1	*	48.7		36.9
Feb. 1981	6.0	12.9	6.8	4.1	*	46.4		43.2
Feb. 1982	9.4	14.9	6.5	4.4	*	51.2		41.1
Feb. 1983	9.3	19.4	11.1	6.5	3.1	68.8		39.8
1984 -								
Jan.	9.5	16.0	5.6	6.1	5.1	66.3		48.8
Feb.	8.8	17.2	7.4	4.8	4.7	64.7		48.8
Mar.	9.6	14.5	9.1	4.1	2.6	62.8		53.2
Apr.	7.7	12.0	11.9	4.5	2.1	59.1		51.7
May	7.4	9.5	11.9	4.6	2.0	57.6		54.8
June	6.2	10.5	10.0	6.1	*	56.1		59.7
July	8.5	9.8	8.4	7.3	2.3	56.6		58.6
Aug.	7.7	11.7	9.7	8.5	1.9	58.7		52.8
Sept.	9.9	12.1	8.4	6.6	2.9	62.1		57.2
Oct.	7.4	13.7	6.5	7.1	3.9	59.3		58.6
Nov.	7.3	12.5	6.3	4.8	3.6	53.6		58.4
Dec.	9.7	12.2	8.8	7.1	3.1	63.2		59.7
1985 -								
Jan.	9.9	16.4	8.1	6.5	3.0	62.9		51.2
Feb.	8.3	13.1	9.2	5.1	2.7	60.1		56.5

TABLE 11 - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : BIRTHPLACE, NUMBER AND RATE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Month	Unemployed			Unemployment rate (a)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	'000	'000	'000	per cent	per cent	per cent
BORN OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA						
Feb. 1978	7.9	8.5	16.4	6.9	12.2	8.9
Feb. 1979	10.2	7.0	17.2	8.6	10.4	9.3
Feb. 1980	7.7	6.9	14.6	7.0	11.4	8.6
Feb. 1981	8.7	5.4	14.1	7.9	8.6	8.1
Feb. 1982	10.0	7.5	17.6	8.8	11.8	9.9
Feb. 1983	15.4	7.6	23.0	13.9	13.2	13.7
1984 -						
Jan.	15.3	7.1	22.4	14.1	11.4	13.1
Feb.	14.2	7.9	22.1	13.0	12.2	12.7
Mar.	13.0	8.0	21.0	12.1	12.1	12.1
Apr.	12.2	8.5	20.7	11.4	13.5	12.2
May	11.3	7.3	18.5	10.7	12.0	11.1
June	12.5	6.6	19.1	11.7	11.3	11.6
July	11.4	5.6	17.0	10.6	9.4	10.2
Aug.	12.7	6.0	18.7	11.7	9.9	11.0
Sept.	14.3	6.8	21.1	12.9	11.2	12.3
Oct.	13.7	7.3	21.1	12.7	11.5	12.3
Nov.	11.8	5.9	17.6	10.9	9.5	10.4
Dec.	14.4	6.0	20.4	13.1	9.4	11.7
1985 -						
Jan.	12.8	6.7	19.5	11.7	10.4	11.2
Feb.	11.7	6.8	18.5	10.4	10.1	10.3
BORN IN AUSTRALIA						
Feb. 1978	14.9	14.2	29.1	5.6	9.4	7.0
Feb. 1979	17.6	14.9	32.5	6.7	9.4	7.7
Feb. 1980	18.3	15.8	34.1	6.8	9.8	7.9
Feb. 1981	16.5	15.8	32.3	6.1	9.6	7.5
Feb. 1982	17.8	15.8	33.6	6.6	9.3	7.6
Feb. 1983	26.3	19.5	45.8	9.6	11.1	10.2
1984 -						
Jan.	26.6	17.3	43.9	9.6	10.3	9.9
Feb.	26.1	16.5	42.6	9.5	9.9	9.6
Mar.	22.5	19.4	41.9	8.1	11.0	9.2
Apr.	22.4	16.0	38.4	8.2	9.0	8.5
May	22.6	16.5	39.0	8.2	9.4	8.7
June	21.7	15.3	37.0	7.9	8.6	8.2
July	22.8	16.8	39.7	8.3	9.6	8.8
Aug.	22.9	17.0	39.9	8.4	9.7	8.9
Sept.	23.9	17.1	41.0	8.7	9.7	9.1
Oct.	22.8	15.4	38.2	8.3	8.7	8.5
Nov.	19.8	16.1	35.9	7.2	8.9	7.8
Dec.	22.9	19.8	42.8	8.2	10.6	9.2
1985 -						
Jan.	25.9	17.6	43.5	9.5	10.1	9.7
Feb.	23.5	18.1	41.6	8.5	10.1	9.1

(a) The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

TECHNICAL NOTES

ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

The labour force estimates are derived from the monthly population survey by use of a complex ratio estimation procedure. This procedure ensures that the survey estimates conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population by age and sex, rather than to the age and sex distribution within the sample itself.

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

2. Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. For an explanation of non-sampling error see paragraph 12. The sampling error is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, the estimates, and the movements derived from them, are subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. The standard error can also be expressed as a percentage of the estimate, and this is known as the relative standard error.

3. Space does not allow for the separate indication of the standard errors of all estimates in this publication. Standard errors of estimates derived from the survey and of monthly, quarterly and annual movements for South Australia and for each region of South Australia, can be determined by using the following table.

NOTE: The standard errors published in this issue for South Australia and Adelaide Statistical Division have been revised from those published in earlier issues. This revision follows the re-selection of the sample in October 1982 and consequent production of data on a place of usual residence basis. The differences between the old and new standard errors are minor, with large estimates being associated with higher standard errors and smaller estimates having slightly lower standard errors.

4. The size of the standard error increases with the level of the estimate, so that the larger the estimate the larger the standard error. However, it should be noted that the larger the sample estimate the smaller will be the standard error in percentage terms. Thus, larger sample estimates will be relatively more reliable than smaller estimates.

5. As the standard errors in the following table show, the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error. Very small estimates are subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most practical purposes. In the tables in this publication estimates with a relative standard error of greater than 25 per cent and percentages based on such estimates, have not been included and have been replaced with an asterisk. Although figures for these small components can in some cases be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable.

6. The movement in the level of an estimate is also subject to sampling variability. The standard error of the movement depends on the levels of the estimates from which the movement is obtained rather than the size of the movement. An indication of the magnitude of standard errors of monthly movements is also given in the following table. The estimates of standard errors of monthly movements apply only to estimates of movements between two consecutive months. Movements between corresponding months of consecutive quarters (quarterly movements), corresponding months of consecutive years (annual movements) and other non-consecutive months, will generally be subject to somewhat greater sampling variability than is indicated. Standard errors of quarterly movements can be obtained by multiplying the figures shown in column 3 of the following table by 1.5. Standard errors of all annual movements can be obtained by multiplying the figures shown in column 1 of the following table by 1.3. When using the following table to calculate standard errors of movements, refer to the larger of the two estimates from which the movement is derived.

7. Examples of the calculation and use of standard errors are given below:

- (a) From column 1 of the following table it can be seen that the estimate of 353,600 employed males in South Australia in February 1985 (see Table 1) has a standard error of approximately 3,300 (by interpolation). There are about two chances in three that the true figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey would have been within the range 350,300 to 356,900 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range 347,000 to 360,200.
- (b) The estimate of movement in the number of employed males in South Australia from January 1985 to February 1985 is an increase of 9,600. Column 3 in the following table can be used to determine the standard error of the monthly movement for the larger of the two estimates from which the movement is derived. In this case, the February 1985 estimate (353,600) is the larger. From column 3 for South Australia, it can be seen that the standard error of the monthly movement is approximately 2,800 (by interpolation). There are about two chances in three that if all dwellings had been included in the surveys the movement would have been in the range +6,800 to +12,400 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been in the range +4,000 to +15,200.

8. It must be remembered that there is no justification for saying that the 'true' estimate is more likely to be at any one point in the range than at any other.

9. The relative standard errors of estimates of average hours worked and average duration of unemployment are obtained by first finding the relative standard error of the estimate of the total number of persons contributing to the estimate (see column 2 in the following table) and then multiplying the figure so obtained by the following relevant factors:

average hours worked: 0.7

average duration of unemployment: 1.3

10. Proportions and percentages (for example, participation rates) formed from the ratio of two estimates are also subject to sampling error. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and denominator. The formula for the relative standard error (RSE) of a proportion or percentage is given below:

$$RSE(x/y) = \sqrt{[RSE(x)]^2 + [RSE(y)]^2}.$$

11. Standard errors contained in the following table are designed to provide an average standard error applicable for all monthly labour force survey estimates. Recent analysis of the standard errors for South Australia applicable to particular survey estimates has shown that the standard errors on estimates of employment are generally equivalent to those shown in the following table, while standard errors for estimates of unemployment and not in the labour force are approximately 5 per cent and 11 per cent higher, respectively, than those shown in the table.

12. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling errors. They may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce non-sampling errors to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers, and efficient operating procedures.

STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES OF LEVELS AND MONTHLY MOVEMENTS, REGIONS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA^(a)

Size of Estimate No.	South Australia; Adelaide Statistical Division; and Balance of South Australia			Para and North Eastern Statistical Subdivisions			Western Statistical Subdivision			Eastern Statistical Subdivision		
	SE	RSE	SEM	SE	RSE	SEM	SE	RSE	SEM	SE	RSE	SEM
	No. (%)	%	No.	No. (%)	%	No.	No. (%)	%	No.	No. (%)	%	No.
1,800	430	24.1	390	410	22.9	330				420	23.4	360
2,000	460	22.8	410	430	21.7	340	490	24.6	360	440	22.1	380
2,500	500	20.2	440	480	19.3	370	550	21.9	390	490	19.7	410
3,000	550	18.3	470	530	17.6	400	600	19.9	420	540	17.9	440
3,500	590	16.8	500	570	16.2	420	640	18.4	440	580	16.5	470
4,000	620	15.6	530	600	15.1	440	690	17.1	470	620	15.4	490
4,500	650	14.6	550	640	14.2	470	720	16.1	490	650	14.5	510
5,000	690	13.7	570	670	13.4	480	760	15.2	510	680	13.7	530
6,000	740	12.4	610	730	12.2	520	830	13.8	550	750	12.4	570
8,000	840	10.5	680	840	10.5	580	950	11.9	610	860	10.7	640
10,000	920	9.2	740	930	9.3	630	1,050	10.6	660	950	9.5	700
20,000	1,200	6.1	960	1,300	6.5	820	1,450	7.3	860	1,300	6.6	910
30,000	1,400	4.7	1,100	1,550	5.2	960	1,800	5.9	1,000	1,600	5.3	1,050
40,000	1,600	3.9	1,250	1,800	4.5	1,050	2,050	5.1	1,100	1,850	4.6	1,200
50,000	1,700	3.4	1,350	2,000	4.0	1,150	2,250	4.5	1,200	2,050	4.1	1,300
100,000	2,200	2.2	1,750	2,750	2.7	1,500	3,100	3.1	1,600	2,800	2.8	1,650
200,000	2,750	1.4	2,250	3,800	1.9	1,950	4,300	2.1	2,050	3,850	1.9	2,200
300,000	3,100	1.0	2,650									
400,000	3,400	0.9	2,950									
500,000	3,650	0.7	3,200									
600,000	3,850	0.6	3,400									
700,000	4,000	0.6	3,600									

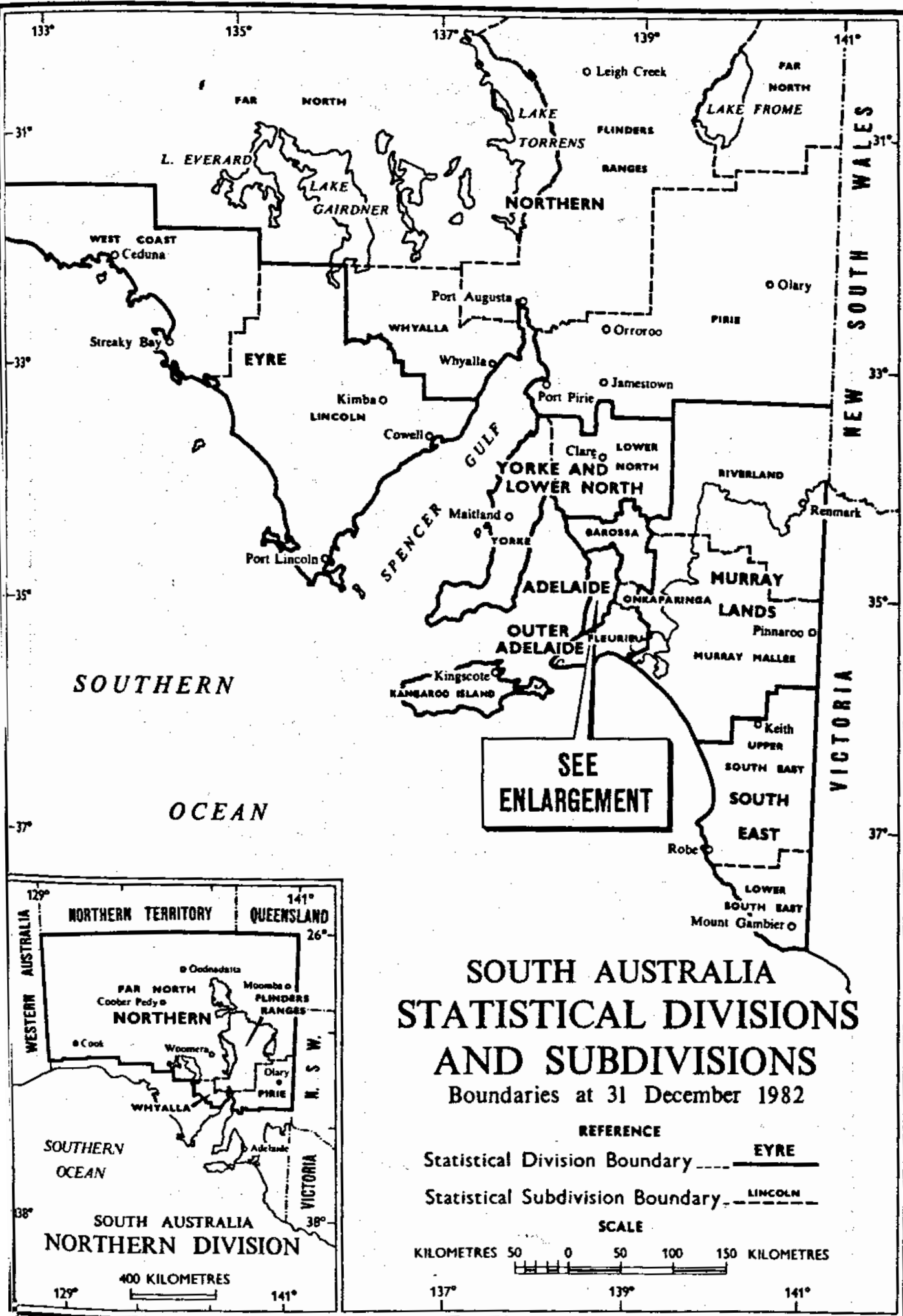
Size of Estimate No.	Southern Statistical Subdivision			Yorke and Lower North, Northern and Eyre Statistical Divisions			Outer Adelaide, Murray Lands and South East Statistical Divisions		
	SE	RSE	SEM	SE	RSE	SEM	SE	RSE	SEM
	No. (%)	%	No.	No. (%)	%	No.	No. (%)	%	No.
1,500	360	24.1	310				370	25.0	310
1,800	390	21.9	340	410	22.8	280	410	22.7	340
2,000	410	20.7	350	430	21.6	290	430	21.5	350
2,500	460	18.4	380	480	19.2	320	480	19.1	380
3,000	500	16.8	410	520	17.5	340	520	17.4	410
3,500	540	15.5	430	560	16.1	360	560	16.1	430
4,000	580	14.4	460	600	15.0	380	600	15.0	460
4,500	610	13.6	480	640	14.1	400	630	14.1	480
5,000	640	12.8	500	670	13.4	410	670	13.3	500
6,000	700	11.7	530	730	12.1	440	730	12.1	530
8,000	800	10.0	590	840	10.4	500	830	10.4	600
10,000	890	8.9	650	930	9.3	540	920	9.2	650
20,000	1,250	6.2	840	1,300	6.4	700	1,300	6.4	840
30,000	1,500	5.0	980	1,550	5.2	820	1,550	5.2	980
40,000	1,700	4.3	1,100	1,800	4.5	920	1,800	4.4	1,100
50,000	1,900	3.8	1,200	2,000	4.0	1,000	1,950	3.9	1,200
100,000	2,600	2.6	1,550	2,750	2.7	1,300	2,700	2.7	1,550
200,000	3,600	1.8	2,000						

(a) See Technical Notes paragraph 6 for details on calculating standard errors for quarterly and annual movements.

SE standard error

RSE relative standard error

SEM standard error of monthly movements



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